

ERP No. D-AFS-J65317-MT Rating EC2, Double Sec Timber Sale and Vegetation Management Project, Implementation, Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest, Pintler Ranger District, Deerlodge and Granite Counties, MT.

**Summary:** EPA expressed environmental concerns about the lack of information on the monitoring program implementation and also recommends improved disclosure of air quality impacts and mitigation for prescribed burning. Additional information is needed to fully assess and adequately mitigate potential impacts of the management actions.

ERP No. D-COE-F35046-OH Rating EC2, Ashtabula River and Harbor Dredging and Disposal Project, Design, Construction, Operation and Maintenance, Ashtabula River Partnership (ARP), Ashtabula County, OH.

**Summary:** EPA expressed environmental concerns in the area of wetland mitigation and compliance with regulations implementing the Toxic Substance Control Act.

#### Final EISs

ERP No. F-AFS-G65067-LA Kisatchie National Forest Revision Land and Resource Management Plan, Implementation, Claiborne, Grant, Natchitoches, Rapides, Vernon, Webster and Winn Parishes, LA.

**Summary:** EPA expressed lack of objection; the FEIS responds to our concerns on the draft EIS.

ERP No. F-AFS-L65314-OR Mill Creek Watershed Timber Sales Project, Implementation, Ochoco National Forest, Crook County, OR.

**Summary:** No formal comment letter sent to the preparing agency.

ERP No. F-DOA-G36150-AR Departee Creek Watershed Plan Flood Prevention, Implementation, COE Section 404 Permit, Independence and Jackson Counties, AR.

**Summary:** EPA's previous concerns have been addressed, therefore EPA has no objection to the proposed action.

ERP No. F-DOE-G06011-NM Sandia National Laboratories/New Mexico (SNL), Continue Operation, Site-Wide (DOE/EIS-0281), Albuquerque, NM.

**Summary:** No formal comment letter sent to preparing agency.

ERP No. F-NOA-A64058-00 Regulatory FEIS—Pelagic Sargassum Habitat Fishery Management Plan, Implementation, South Atlantic Region.

**Summary:** EPA strongly supports the proposed suspension of the Sargassum fishery pursuant to the FMP, due to the critical habitat value of Sargassum weed for countless fish, invertebrates and sea turtles.

Dated: November 30, 1999.

**Ken Mittelholtz,**

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-00634; FRL-6397-7]

### State FIFRA Issues Research and Evaluation Group (SFIREG); Notice of Public Meeting

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The State FIFRA Issues Research and Evaluation Group (SFIREG) will hold a 2-day meeting, beginning on December 6, 1999 and ending on December 7, 1999. This notice announces the location and times for the meeting and sets forth the tentative agenda topics.

**DATES:** The SFIREG will meet on Monday, December 6, 1999 from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Tuesday, December 7, 1999 from 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at The Doubletree Hotel, 300 Army Navy Drive, Arlington-Crystal City, VA.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Philip H. Gray, SFIREG Executive Secretary, P. O. Box 1249, Hardwick, VT 05843-1249; (802) 472-6956; fax: (802) 472-6957; e-mail address:

aapco@plainfield.bypass.com or Elaine Y. Lyon, Field and External Affairs Division (7506C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (703) 305-5306; fax number: (703) 308-1850; e-mail address: lyon.elaine@epa.gov.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### I. Does this Action Apply to Me?

This action is directed to the public in general, but all parties interested in SFIREG's information exchange relationship with EPA regarding important issues related to human health, environmental exposure to pesticides, and insight into the EPA's decision-making process are invited and encouraged to attend the meetings and participate as appropriate.

#### II. How Can I Get Additional Information, Including Copies of this Document and Other Related Documents?

1. *Electronically.* You may obtain electronic copies of the minutes, and

certain other related documents that might be available electronically, from the EPA Internet Home Page at <http://www.epa.gov/>. To access this document, on the Home Page select "Laws and Regulations" and then look up the entry for this document under the "Federal Register--Environmental Documents." You can also go directly to the **Federal Register** listings at <http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/>. You may also obtain electronic copies of the minutes, and certain other related documents that might be available electronically, from the Association of American Pesticide Control Officials (AAPCO) Internet Home Page at <http://aapco.ceris.purdue.edu/doc/index.html>. To access this document, on the Home Page select "SFIREG" and then look up the entry for this document under the "SFIREG Meetings."

2. *In person.* The Agency has established an administrative record for this meeting under docket control number OPP-00634. The administrative record consists of the documents specifically referenced in this notice, any public comments received during an applicable comment period, and other information related to the SFIREG meeting topic, including any information claimed as Confidential Business Information (CBI). This administrative record includes the documents that are physically located in the docket, as well as the documents that are referenced in those documents. The public version of the administrative record, which includes printed, paper versions of any electronic comments that may be submitted during an applicable comment period, is available for inspection in the Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Rm. 119, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Arlington, VA, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The PIRIB telephone number is (703) 305-5805.

#### III. Purpose of Meeting

##### Tentative Agenda:

1. Update and discussion of Pesticide Field Data Plan.
2. Update on the Food Quality Protection Act (FQPA).
3. EPA's role/involvement in the Invasive Species Management Plan (Executive Order 13112).
4. Rodenticide Stakeholder process and impacts (meetings and outcomes).
5. Mosquitos and Public Health - EPA's role, activities and issues.
6. Establishment of the Tribal Pesticide Program Council (TPPC).
7. Label Accountability Project.

8. Strategy to address the authority over pesticide use on Federal Facilities - California.

9. Inspector Credentials Authorization Procedures update.

10. Pesticide Regulatory Education Program 2000.

11. Committee reports and introduction of issue/discussion papers.

12. Updates from the Office of Pesticide Programs and the Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance.

13. SFIREG issues update report.

14. Other topics as appropriate.

#### List of Subjects

Environmental protection.

Dated: November 29, 1999.

Jay Ellenberger,

Director, Field and External Affairs Division,  
Office of Pesticide Programs.

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#### ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-64043; FRL-6394-8]

#### Azinphos Methyl; Receipt of Requests For Amendments to Delete Uses; Request For Cancellation, and Advance Notification of Tolerance Revocation and Modifications

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The companies that hold the pesticide registrations of pesticide products containing azinphos methyl (*O,O*-dimethyl-S-[(4-oxo-1,2,3-benzotriazin 3(4*H*)-yl)methyl] phosphorodithioate) have asked EPA to amend their registrations to delete use on cotton in Louisiana and east of the Mississippi River, and on sugarcane, ornamentals (except for nursery stocks), Christmas trees, shade trees, and forest trees. One company has also asked EPA to cancel some of its registrations of pesticide products containing azinphos methyl. Pursuant to section 6(f)(1) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), EPA is announcing the Agency's receipt of these requests from the registrants. The requests to cancel certain uses from the registrations are the result of an agreement between EPA and several registrants regarding the registration of products containing azinphos methyl. Given the potential risks that azinphos methyl use on cotton in Louisiana and east of the Mississippi River, sugarcane,

ornamentals (except for nursery stock), Christmas trees, shade trees, and forest trees has on drinking water and ecosystems, EPA intends to grant the requested amendments to delete uses. The Agency also intends to grant the requested registration cancellations. In addition, EPA plans to issue a cancellation order for the deleted uses and the canceled registrations at the close of the comment period for this announcement. After publication of the cancellation order, any distribution, sale, or use of azinphos methyl products will only be permitted if such distribution, sale, or use is consistent with the terms of that order.

**DATE:** Comments on the requested amendments to delete uses and the requested registration cancellations must be submitted to the address provided below by January 3, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments may be submitted by mail, electronically, or in person. Please follow the detailed instructions for each method as provided in Unit I.C. of the "SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION" section. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, it is imperative that you identify docket control number OPP-64043 in the subject line on the first page of your response.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** By mail: Barry O'Keefe, Special Review and Reregistration Division (7508C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460, telephone number: 703-308-8035, e-mail address: okeefe.barry@epa.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This announcement consists of five parts. The first part contains general information. The second part addresses the registrants' requests for amendments to delete uses and for voluntary cancellation of registrations. The third part proposes existing stock provisions that will be set forth in the cancellation order that the Agency intends to issue at the close of the comment period for this announcement. The fourth part provides advance notification of tolerance revocation and modifications the Agency intends to propose. And the fifth part sets forth the Agency's import tolerance guidance.

#### I. General Information

##### A. Does this Action Apply to Me?

You may be potentially affected by this action if you manufacture, sell, distribute, or use azinphos methyl products. The Congressional Review Act, 5 U.S.C. 801 et seq., as added by the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996, does

not apply because this action is not a rule, for purposes of 5 U.S.C. 804(3). If you have any questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the technical person listed in the "FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT" section.

##### B. How Can I Get Additional Information, Including Copies of this Document and Other Related Documents?

1. *Electronically.* You may obtain copies of this document and certain other available support documents from the EPA Internet Home Page at <http://www.epa.gov/>. You may access this document by selecting "Laws and Regulations" on EPA's Home Page and then looking up the entry for this document under the "Federal Register - Environmental Documents." You can also go directly to the "Federal Register" listings at <http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/>. To access information about the risk assessment for azinphos methyl, go to the Home Page for the Office of Pesticide Programs or go directly <http://www.epa.gov/oppsrd1/op/azm.htm>.

2. *In person.* The Agency has established an official record for this action under docket control number [OPP-64043]. The official record consists of the documents specifically referenced in this action, any public comments received during an applicable comment period, and other information related to this action, including any information claimed as confidential business information (CBI). This official record includes the documents that are physically located in the docket, as well as the documents that are referenced in those documents. The public version of the official record does not include any information claimed as CBI. The public version of the official record, which includes printed, paper versions of any electronic comments submitted during an applicable comment period, is available for inspection in the Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Rm. 119, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The PIRIB telephone number is 703-305-5805.

##### C. How and to Whom Do I Submit Comments?

You may submit comments through the mail, in person, or electronically. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, it is imperative that you identify docket control number [OPP-64043] in the subject line on the first page of your response.