

Attention: Jennifer Teerlink

Dear California Department of Pesticide Regulations,

Pesticides applied to seeds ARE pesticides and should be regulated in California.

Regulations must include:

- 1) DPR must require registration and tracking (through the DPR PUR system) of all seeds treated with neonics or other systemic insecticides, and denial of registration for particular treated seed products or treated seed uses where warranted under state law.
- 2) DPR must add all neonic treated seed products to the state “restricted materials” list. DPR should also list seeds treated with other systemic insecticides as restricted materials where they meet the standard
- 3) DPR must promote Non-Chemical Pest Control Alternatives – and support research into regenerative agricultural practices that eliminate or reduce chemicals. DPR should also provide outreach and assistance to farmers and agricultural producers to implement these practices and alternatives where possible.

Thanks.

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