

CDPR PCPA.Comments

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To: CDPR PCPA.Comments
Subject: Imidacloprid Groundwater Detection – CA Pesticide Contamination Prevention Act

EXTERNAL:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on Imidacloprid Groundwater Detection – CA Pesticide Contamination Prevention Act (PCPA). I am Wayne Pricolo, the Pest Control Advisor for Bowles Farming Company, a 10,000 acre farm in the Central Valley of California.

I would like to share commercial impact regarding Imidacloprid use in California agriculture.

- Imidacloprids are soft on beneficials insects and only target the pests which in turn do not cause secondary pests which require even more applications of harsher chemicals
- Imidacloprids have low reentry periods and less worker exposure hazards.

Imidacloprids are very vital to our crop protection tool box and without them we would be forced to use harsher chemicals that are very hard on the environment and have a higher risk to workers.

Sincerely,
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