



California Notice 2024-23

TO: Pesticide Registrants and Other Stakeholders

**SUBJECT: PRELIMINARY REPORTS RELATIVE TO REEVALUATION OF
PARAQUAT: INFORMAL PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

On November 6, 2024, the Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR) initiated a reevaluation of pesticide products containing the active ingredient paraquat dichloride (paraquat) as required by the California State Legislature in Assembly Bill (AB) 1963.

Following evaluation of submitted human health and environmental data, DPR drafted preliminary reports detailing the findings of the scientific review. These reports can be found on [DPR's Web site](https://cdpr.ca.gov/docs/registration/reevaluation/chemicals/paraquat.htm) at <cdpr.ca.gov/docs/registration/reevaluation/chemicals/paraquat.htm>. DPR is accepting public comments on these reports for 45 days following their release. These preliminary reports do not constitute a determination of whether additional restrictions are necessary as a result of the reevaluation. DPR will issue a determination on the need for any potential restriction on paraquat use in the future.

Interested persons may submit comments pertaining to the preliminary paraquat human health and ecological reports no later than **February 13, 2025** to [DPR's online comment portal](https://cdpr.commentinput.com/?id=9EJdcpGMC) located on DPR's Web site at: <cdpr.commentinput.com/?id=9EJdcpGMC> or via email to <paraquat@cdpr.ca.gov>.

Please address all questions pertaining to this comment period or the paraquat reevaluation to Andrew Turcotte, Environmental Scientist, at 916-445-4403 or by e-mail at <Andrew.Turcotte@cdpr.ca.gov>.

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