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October 2, 2026

9:00 AM Board Meeting

Join the meeting in person in Room 101, Deering Building, 90 Blossom Lane, Augusta
Or

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AGENDA

1. Introductions of Board and Staff
2. Minutes of the August 21, 2026 Board Meeting

Presentation By: Alexander Peacock, Director
Action Needed: Amend and/or Adopt

3. Experimental Use Permits (EUP)

Board staff has received several inquiries about obtaining experimental use permits to trial pesticides on off-label sites. The BPC previously had a statute, Title 7 § 608, which established the Board's ability to issue EUPs. This section was repealed by the legislature in 2005. This is an overview of current EPA regulations regarding EUPs and a discussion of the possible need for a policy to inform EUP requests of federal standards established by EPA.

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Presentation By: Alexander Peacock, Director
Action Needed: None, Discussion

4. PFAS Pesticides Update

BPC Pesticide Toxicologist updates the Board about recent research in PFAS pesticides and their potential to degrade into trifluoroacetate and possible defluorination in the environment.

Presentation By: Doug Van Hoewyk, Ph.D., Pesticide Toxicologist
Action Needed: None, Informational/Discussion

5. Preliminary Crop Yield Data Following Neonicotinoid Restrictions in Quebec

Presentation and discussion of preliminary crop yield data following neonicotinoid use restrictions adopted by the province of Quebec, Canada, in 2019.

Presentation By: Doug Van Hoewyk, Ph.D., Pesticide Toxicologist
Action Needed: None, Informational/Discussion

6. Enforcement Case Pre-Review for Mainely Grass of Westbrook

In accordance with BPC enforcement protocol, this information is being brought to the Board's attention, identifying repeat violations of failure to notify a member of the Pesticide Notification Registry and notification requirements under Chapter 28, Section 1.

Presentation By: Jose Gayoso, Manager of Compliance
Action Needed: Discussion, Enforcement Guidance

7. Enforcement Case Pre-Review for TruGreen Lawncare of Westbrook

In accordance with BPC enforcement protocol, this information is being brought to the Board's attention, identifying repeat violations of failure to notify a member of the Pesticide Notification Registry, failure to post an application site, unauthorized application, and applications by an unlicensed applicator.

Presentation By: Jose Gayoso, Manager of Compliance
Action Needed: Discussion, Enforcement Guidance

8. Other Old and New Business

- a. Written Stakeholder Comments regarding LD 1323, Resolve, Directing the Board of Pesticides Control to Evaluate the Impact of Neonicotinoids on Pollinators, Humans, and the Environment.

- b. EPA Clears Outdated Pesticides from Marketplace to Protect Human Health & the Environment
- c. EPA Releases Glyphosate Human Health Open Literature Search Document for Public Feedback
- d. Variance Permit for CMR01-026, American Forest Management, Inc., Bowmantown.
- e. Variance Permit for CMR01-026, American Forest Management, Inc., Oxbow.
- f. Variance Permit for CMR01-026, ACPS, Chebeague Island
- g. Variance Permit for CMR01-026, Basswood Environmental, Scarborough
- h. Variance Permit for CMR01-026, Damariscotta Mills Consulting, Inc., Alna
- i. Variance Permit for CMR01-026, Legacy Woodlot Services, Starks
- j. Variance Permit for CMR01-026, Legacy Woodlot Services, Maine Rivers, Starks
- k. Variance Permit for CMR01-026, Legacy Woodlot Services, Monroe

9. Schedule of Future Meetings

The next scheduled Board meeting date is November 13, 2026, at the Deering Building, Room 101, Augusta

Future Meetings: December 18, 2026, Wednesday, January 13, 2026 (ATS)

Adjustments and/or Additional Dates?

10. Adjourn

NOTES

- The Board Meeting Agenda and most supporting documents are posted one week before the meeting on the Board website at www.thinkfirstspraylast.org.
- Any person wishing to receive notices and agendas for meetings of the Board, Medical Advisory Committee, or Environmental Risk Advisory Committee must submit a request in writing to the Board's office. Any person with technical expertise who would like to volunteer for service on either committee is invited to submit their resume for future consideration.
- On November 16, 2007, the Board adopted the following policy for submission and distribution of comments and information when conducting routine business (product registration, variances, enforcement actions, etc.):
 - *For regular, non-rulemaking business*, the Board will accept pesticide-related letters, reports, and articles. Reports and articles must be from peer-reviewed journals. E-mail,

hard copy, or fax should be sent to the Board's office or pesticides@maine.gov. In order for the Board to receive this information in time for distribution and consideration at its next meeting, all communications must be received by 8:00 AM, three days prior to the Board meeting date (e.g., if the meeting is on a Friday, the deadline would be Tuesday at 8:00 AM). Any information received after the deadline will be held over for the next meeting.

- During rulemaking, when proposing new or amending old regulations, the Board is subject to the requirements of the APA (Administrative Procedures Act), and comments must be taken according to the rules established by the Legislature.