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## EPA Announcements of Interest to ESA Members

### Recent Activities:

#### Endangered Species Risk Analysis and Mitigation

- EPA held a public webinar on November 17, 2022, to update the public regarding efforts to better protect non-target species, including federally listed endangered and threatened (listed) species, from registered conventional pesticides. The presentation can be accessed at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ENMUQdPdvY>.
- This webinar highlighted the first update to the Pesticide Program's Endangered Species Act Workplan from April 2022 and included more details about the EPA's approach to mitigating ecological risks in the registration review.
- The complete work plan "*Balancing Wildlife Protection and Responsible Pesticide Use: how EPA's pesticide program will meet its endangered species act obligations 2022*" can be accessed at [https://www.epa.gov/system/files/documents/2022-04/balancing-wildlife-protection-and-responsible-pesticide-use\\_final.pdf](https://www.epa.gov/system/files/documents/2022-04/balancing-wildlife-protection-and-responsible-pesticide-use_final.pdf).
- The 75-day comment period due day was February 14, 2023, and the 75 related comments can be accessed at <https://www.regulations.gov/document/EPA-HQ-OPP-2022-0908-0001/comment>.

#### Registration review of insecticides

##### Carbaryl

- Additional risk assessment for the registration review and risk mitigation measures are under consideration by the EPA for the final registration of carbaryl. The 75-day comment period due day was February 14, 2023, and the 18 related comments can be accessed at <https://www.regulations.gov/document/EPA-HQ-OPP-2010-0230-0108/comment>.

- Etofenprox: this insecticide is under review and EPA is receiving public comments until March 8, 2023. More information can be accessed at [file:///C:/Users/silvanavieirade/Downloads/EPA-HQ-OPP-2007-0804-0068\\_content.pdf](file:///C:/Users/silvanavieirade/Downloads/EPA-HQ-OPP-2007-0804-0068_content.pdf). The comments should be submitted soon at <https://www.regulations.gov/docket/EPA-HQ-OPP-2007-0804/comments>.

### **Meetings/Webinars**

- Meeting with the team of the Office of Pest Management Policy, USDA. This office coordinates with other agencies, including EPA, responsibilities related to pest management or pesticides, including coordinating activities to make sure that regulatory pesticide policies attend to realistic agricultural practices and agricultural producers' demands, responding to pesticide risk mitigation strategies, and developing the National Road Map for IPM, among several other functions. More information about the office should be accessed at <https://www.usda.gov/oce/pest/about>.

### **Upcoming/Future Activities:**

- Coordination of the work with EPA officer Rebeccah Waterworth is in progress.