

## Comprehensive Combo Course Agenda

August 4-7, 2025

Fort Collins, Colorado

Please note: All times listed on the agenda are in Mountain Time

### Monday, August 4<sup>th</sup>: Co-regulator Relationships and Communication

*Dress Code: Monochromatic Monday*

- 7:30 am Refreshments and Check In
- 8:00 am Welcoming Remarks  
*Kelly Friend, President, American Association of Pesticide Control Officials (AAPCO)*
- 8:10 am Course Overview and Logistics  
*Cindy Wire, PREP Coordinator, US EPA Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention (OCSPP)*  
*Lisa Blecker, PREP Administrator, Colorado State University (CSU)*
- 8:20 am Icebreaker and Introductory Exercise  
*Facilitator: Lisa Blecker, CSU*
- 9:30 am EPA's Organizational Structure  
*Cindy Wire, US EPA OCSPP*
- 10:00 am Break**
- 10:15 am Panel: State and Tribal Organizations  
*Kelly Friend, Agricultural Environmental Services Director, Florida Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services*  
*Kristen Lashley, Program Director, Alabama Department of Agriculture*  
*Africa Dorame-Avalos, Pesticide Program Manager, Inter-Tribal Council of Arizona*  
*Allison Cuellar, Structural Pest Control Services Coordinator, Texas Department of Agriculture*
- 11:30 am Group Photo**
- 11:45 am Lunch**
- 11:45 am Headshots**
- 12:45 pm FIFRA Cooperative Agreement Guidance Basics  
*Cindy Wire, US EPA OCSPP*
- 1:30 pm End of Year Reporting  
*Cindy Wire, US EPA OCSPP*  
*Michael Bauman, Inspector and Interdisciplinary Scientist, US EPA Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance (OECA)*



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- 2:15 pm      Quality Assurance Process for FIFRA Cooperative Agreements  
*Kevin Martin, FIFRA Project Officer, EPA Region 8*
- 2:45 pm      Break**
- 3:00 pm      Group Exercise: FIFRA Cooperative Agreements  
*Facilitator: Cindy Wire, US EPA OCSPP*
- 3:45pm      Breakout Groups: What Questions Do You Have Regarding the FIFRA Cooperative Agreement Guidance or Co-regulator Communication?  
*Facilitator: Lisa Blecker, CSU*
- 5:00 pm      Adjourn



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## Tuesday, August 5<sup>th</sup>: Pesticide Regulation and Registration Basics

*Dress Code: Tropical Tuesday*

7:30 am Refreshments and Check In

8:00 am Pesticide Registration Basics

*Jen Gaines, Senior Regulatory Specialist, US EPA Office Pesticide Programs (OPP)*

9:00 am Special Registrations and Exemptions

*Jen Gaines, Senior Regulatory Specialist, US EPA OPP*

### 10:00 Break

10:15 am Tolerance Basics

*Jen Gaines, Senior Regulatory Specialist, US EPA OPP*

11:15 am Group Discussion: Questions and Issues Regarding Pesticide Registrations

*Facilitator: Lisa Blecker, CSU*

### 12:00 pm Lunch

1:00 pm Panel: Relationship with Pesticide Safety Education Programs

*Sam Anderson, Environmental Services Division Director, Kentucky Department of Agriculture*

*Warren Hanson, Pesticide Analytical Response Center Coordinator, Oregon Department of Agriculture*

*Kenzie Bradshaw, Project Coordinator, Georgia Department of Agriculture*

2:00 pm FIFRA Implementation in Indian Country

*Kevin Martin, FIFRA Project Officer, EPA Region 8*

*Africa Dorame-Avalos, Pesticide Program Manager, Inter-Tribal Council of Arizona*

### 3:00 pm Break

3:15 pm Panel: UAS/UAV Application Technology

*Facilitator: Lisa Blecker, CSU*

*Cindy Wire, US EPA OCSPP*

*Zach Szczukowski, Agricultural Resource Management Specialist, Vermont Agency of Agricultural Food & Markets*

4:15 pm Pesticide Educational Resources Collaborative (PERC) UAS/UAV Task Force

*Suzanne Forsyth, Director of PERC, University of California - Davis*

5:00 pm Adjourn

## Wednesday, August 6<sup>th</sup>: Addressing Communication Issues

*Dress Code: Wildlife Wednesday*

7:30 am	Refreshments and Check In
8:00 am	Approaching Challenging Conversations About Pesticides <i>Sabrina Slagowski-Tipton, Managing Director, Center for Public Deliberation, CSU</i>
9:00 am	Communication Scenario Practice <i>Sabrina Slagowski-Tipton, Managing Director, Center for Public Deliberation, CSU</i>
<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Break</b>
10:15 am	Strengthening Interagency and Public Communication about Pesticides <i>Warren Hanson, Pesticide Analytical Response Center Coordinator, Oregon Department of Agriculture</i>
11:00 am	Group Discussion: Communication Issues <i>Facilitator: Lisa Blecker, CSU</i>
11:30 am	Field Trip Discussion and Directions <i>Facilitator: Lisa Blecker, CSU</i>
<b>12:00 pm</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
1:00 pm	Field Trip <i>USDA-ARS National Laboratory for Genetic Resources (NLGRP)</i>
5:00 pm	Adjourn



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## Thursday, August 7<sup>th</sup>: Pesticide Enforcement Basics and Hot Topics

*Dress Code: Throwback Thursday*

- 7:30 am Refreshments and Check In
- 8:00 am Primacy  
*Royan Teter, Senior Advisor, US EPA OECA*  
*Emma Cross, Attorney Advisor, US EPA OECA*
- 9:00 am Co-regulator Enforcement Requirements  
*Michael Bauman, Inspector and Interdisciplinary Scientist, US EPA OECA*
- 10:00 am Break**
- 10:15 am Panel: Key Enforcement Issues  
*Maxwell Bendes, Environmental Health Specialist, Hawai'i Department of Agriculture*  
*Kenzie Bradshaw, Project Coordinator, Georgia Department of Agriculture*  
*Michelle Lee, Senior Compliance Officer, Virginia Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services*  
*Alexander Lehman, Certification and Training Coordinator, Maryland Department of Agriculture*
- 11:30 am Group Discussion: Enforcement Issues  
*Facilitator: Lisa Blecker, CSU*
- 12:00 pm Lunch**
- 1:00 pm ESA Outreach to the Regulated Community  
*Nicole Zinn, Team Leader, US EPA OPP*  
*Warren Hanson, Pesticide Analytical Response Center Coordinator, Oregon Department of Agriculture*  
*Alexander Lehmann, Certification and Training Coordinator, Maryland Department of Agriculture*
- 2:00 pm Overview of EPA's Endangered Species Mitigation Menu, Bulletins, Strategies  
*Melanie Biscoe, Senior Regulatory Advisor, US EPA OPP*
- 3:00 pm Break**
- 3:15 pm ESA Organizations and Their Resources  
*Harris Walters, Environmental Consultant, Florida Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services*  
*Allison Cuellar, Structural Pest Control Services Coordinator, Texas Department of Agriculture*  
*Lisa Blecker, CSU*



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4:00 pm      Group Discussion: What are the Biggest Concerns and the Greatest Needs for ESA Outreach?

*Facilitator: Lisa Blecker, CSU*

4:30 pm      Travel

*Lisa Blecker, CSU*

4:40 pm      Action Items and Wrap-Up

*Cindy Wire, US EPA OCSPP*

4:50 pm      Final Thoughts and Acknowledgments

*Lisa Blecker, CSU*

5:00 pm      Adjourn

6:00 pm      Group Dinner

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