

## 2026 PREP New and Emerging Technology Participant List

This list consists of all nominees who have been accepted and confirmed as participants in the 2026 Pesticide Regulatory Education Program (PREP) New and Emerging Technology course. This course will be held June 22-25, 2026 in Fort Collins, Colorado. Any participants listed here from the EPA are in addition to the 30 places reserved for state, territory, tribal, and PSEP participants.

### **Nominee's last name, nominee's first name; nominee's agency or tribe.**

1. Behrens, Aaron; New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYS DEC)
2. Butkus, Anastazia; Illinois Department of Public Health
3. Christensen, Benny; Idaho State Department of Agriculture
4. Companick, Michael; New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Pesticide Control Program
5. Estrada, Monique; Texas Department of Agriculture
6. Gayoso, Jose; Maine, Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry
7. Gibson, Leigh; Agriculture Program Supervisor/Expert
8. Gott, Lauren; Michigan Department of Agriculture & Rural Development
9. Huang, Jessica; Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services
10. Ikner, Ali; Georgia Department of Agriculture
11. LaBorde, Ashley; Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry
12. Lehmann, Alexander; Maryland Department of Agriculture Pesticide Regulation Section
13. Lum, Vanze; Nevada Department of Agriculture
14. Nystrom, Eric; US EPA Region 6
15. Pilakowski, Rebecca; California Department of Pesticide Regulation (CDPR)
16. Scott, John; Colorado Department of Agriculture
17. Sutherland, Christopher; Washington State Department of Agriculture
18. Testa, Trinity; Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management
19. Werth, Jaeden; Kansas Department of Agriculture
20. Whelan, Rodney; Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection
21. Williams, Ryan; Oklahoma Dept. of Agriculture, Food, & Forestry