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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL RESOURCES NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Pesticide Board Subcommittee, acting through the Department of Agricultural Resources, under its authority pursuant to FY20GAA-2511-0100, M.G.L. c. 132B, Section 3A, and 333 CMR 8.03; and in accordance with M.G.L. c. 30A, will hold a public hearing on the findings of a scientific literature review that the Pesticide Board Subcommittee will use when determining whether current uses of neonicotinoid insecticides pose unreasonable adverse effects to the environment as well as pollinators, and whether current registered uses of neonicotinoid insecticides should be altered.

The public hearing will be held on the following date:

Thursday, December 10, 2020 from 10:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

Please note that due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this hearing will be held virtually via Zoom.

Join Zoom Meeting

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Testimony may be presented orally at the virtual hearing or in writing. Written comments will be accepted until 5:00 P.M. on Thursday, December 17, 2020. Written testimony must be submitted to the Pesticide Board Subcommittee by email to taryn.lascola@mass.gov or by mail to Taryn LaScola-Miner, 251 Causeway Street, Suite 500, Boston, MA 02114-2151.

The full text of the review is available at https://www.mass.gov/media/2095761/download and https://www.mass.gov/doc/neonics-scientific-literature-review-framework/download. For special accommodations for this event or to obtain this information in an alternative format, you may contact ADA coordinator, Donald Gomes, at 617-626-1608.