

## **Pesticide Control Board Schedules Public Hearing on Rule Revision Proposal**

The New Hampshire Department of Agriculture, Markets & Food (the Department), Pesticide Control Board (Board), will hold a public hearing on a rule revision proposal of Pes 1100 *Worker Protection* of the NH Code of Administrative Rules on Monday, November 7, 2016. The public hearing will be held in Room 201, on the second floor of the Department's offices at 25 Capitol Street, Concord, NH, at 9:30 a.m. Anyone wishing to be heard should appear at that time.

Initially adopted in 1995 the rule generally applies to individuals, typically farmers, raising a commodity and using a pesticide where the pesticide label identifies the need to train agricultural workers. The rule requires training of agricultural workers where the pesticide label invokes the need for training. This proposal readopts Pes 1100 with amendments to coordinate with recent changes to the federal "Worker Protection Standard." The proposal deletes rule references to "training cards" as the federal rule no longer requires cards. It also proposes to require trainers to maintain records for two years; the current state rule requires records be kept for five years.

The Board will receive written comments on the proposal until 4 p.m. on Monday, November 21, 2016. Please submit written comments to David Rousseau, Division of Pesticide Control, NH Department of Agriculture, Markets & Food, P.O. Box 2042, Concord, NH 03302; or fax (603) 271-1109 or email at [david.rousseau@agr.nh.gov](mailto:david.rousseau@agr.nh.gov). Questions regarding the proposed rule amendment can be directed to David Rousseau at (603) 271-3640.