Concerning developments continue to unfold following the resolution of the Environmental Protection Agency’s (EPA) “mega” pesticide case. This case, originally initiated against the EPA by the Center for Biological Diversity and Pesticide Action Network North America in 2011, has set the stage for a series of draft proposals from the EPA to resolve concerns over the protection of endangered species. These proposals carry significant implications for farmers, foresters, and others nationwide.

**Rodenticides** - In November 2022, the EPA issued proposed decisions (PIDs) for 11 rodenticides. The proposed changes, if enacted, would introduce stricter personal protective equipment requirements, enhanced record-keeping practices, mandatory carcass searches, and, most importantly, prohibitions on existing spot and broadcast treatments of commonly used rodenticides in orchards, vineyards, and other crops.

These prohibitions would significantly impact the ability to manage vertebrate pests, with potential yield losses anticipated across key crops, including grass and specialty seed crops, hazelnuts, and tree fruits, among others. These changes would also affect industries like golf that rely on rodenticides for turf management. EPA's stance on these changes is partially rooted in a lack of data for evaluating ecological and human health risks. Product registrants have made concerted efforts to compile and submit relevant data, but those data have not yet been accepted by the agency.

**Vulnerable Species Pilot** - In July, the EPA introduced its draft Vulnerable Species Pilot for Endangered Species (VSP), which details the Agency's strategy for safeguarding what they define as the most vulnerable species under the Endangered Species Act (ESA).

Within this proposal, the EPA identifies 27 species as being exceptionally at risk, one of them being the Taylor's checkerspot butterfly (TCB). This species, which boasts just under 20 acres of known habitat in Oregon, is one of the focal points of the Agency's attention.

EPA’s proposal outlines several extensive “range areas” for the TCB. Notably, EPA presents these designated “range areas” as Pesticide Use Limitation Areas (PULAs), within which the Agency plans to impose a complete restriction on ALL conventional outdoor-use pesticides.

The areas marked out by the EPA for these restrictions encompass approximately 1 million acres of agricultural and commercial forest land across western Oregon. Remarkably, over 99% of these acres do not currently host the Taylor’s checkerspot butterfly (TCB). If the proposal moves forward, a sweeping ban on pesticides would be imposed on these acres, affecting a wide range of activities, including agriculture, forestry, research farms, golf courses, and more.

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The potential implications of this proposal are substantial and could have a devastating impact on Oregon’s natural resource sector. Even the environmental groups involved in the litigation that spurred this proposal, such as the Center for Biological Diversity, have expressed concerns about this extreme proposal. To view OFB’s comments on the VSP, visit https://bit.ly/46OnsNv

Herbicides – Also in July of this year, EPA introduced a draft Herbicide Strategy framework outlining a set of proposed mitigation measures to address the potential impacts of herbicide use on endangered species. These measures would apply to agricultural use only and are designed to mitigate risks from spray drift, runoff, and erosion.

Much like the Vulnerable Species Pilot (VSP), this strategy introduces the concept of “Pesticide Use Limitation Areas (PULAs).” These areas align with habitats for groups of plants listed under ESA or of animals reliant on these plants. Within the Herbicide Strategy, there are four designated PULAs spanning various regions across the United States, and all four of them encompass areas within Oregon.

Considering the cumulative extent of these PULAs, it becomes evident that this proposal is set to impact a substantial portion of Oregon’s agricultural landscape, encompassing at least one million acres. Similar approaches are expected from EPA later this year and early next year for fungicides and insecticides.

The three plans currently on the table from EPA raise serious concerns about the precedent they would establish. The proposals signify a substantial and unjustified departure from the risk-based approach that has been the cornerstone of the EPA’s pesticide regulation framework, which assesses risk in specific contexts and strives to balance risks with the benefits derived from pesticide use.

While we acknowledge and support safeguarding ESA-listed species, these safeguards should be based on a targeted and science-driven approach with clear and tangible benefits for the protected species.

In their current form, EPA’s plans include extreme restrictions that fail to demonstrate significant advantages for ESA-listed species but will result in dire consequences for those engaged in agriculture, forestry, and other natural resource-based industries.

Oregon Farm Bureau and a coalition of organizations led by Oregonians for Food and Shelter (OFS) have been working to educate policymakers by providing specific comments and meeting with Congressional offices to highlight our concerns.

While the opportunity for specific comment on these proposals may have passed, it isn’t too late to act. Please contact your Congressional offices and let them know your concerns and how these proposals could affect you and your operation.

Contact your member of Congress: https://bit.ly/3ZYN5lw

Contact your Senator: https://bit.ly/3S0FcU1

For more resources, please visit https://bit.ly/3PXcgAb

CONGRATULATIONS COUNTY FARM BUREAUS

A special congratulations to all the county Farm Bureaus who achieved their local membership goals for the 2023 year!

Josephine  Jackson  Wallowa  Baker  Crook-Wheeler  Benton  Lincoln  Union  Multnomah  Harney  Douglas  Lane  Clackamas  Jefferson  Grant  Coos-Curry

Earlier this year, Oregon Farm Bureau added a new staff member to our team. Lauren Kuenzi joins us as the Director of Governmental and Political Affairs and will work alongside VP of Government and Legal Affairs Lauren Poor. We sat down with Lauren to get to know her a little better.

Why Did You Want to Work for Oregon Farm Bureau?

“I was born and raised in Oregon. Growing up in rural Marion County, we knew what time of year it was - not by the date on the calendar - but by what crops were in the field. Oregon farmers are some of the hardest working people I’ve ever met. To have the opportunity to represent them in our State Capitol is a tremendous honor and a responsibility I take very seriously.”

What Do You Hope to Accomplish in Your Role?

“I want to build a bridge between Oregon farmers, ranchers, and state lawmakers. Whether you are from downtown Portland or rural Baker county, we have a lot more in common than we realize. We all want family farms to grow and thrive and be successful in increasingly competitive regional and global markets. There is a lot of work to be done, but I feel very fortunate to have the opportunity to be a voice for an industry that is so important to our state and its economy.”

Tell Us a Fun Fact About Yourself

“When I was young, I wanted to be a country singer or professional basketball player. Fortunately for Nashville and the league, I have a weakness for politics.”
JOIN OFB’S MONTHLY MEMBER BRIEFINGS

To keep Farm Bureau voting and supporting members better informed about what’s going on at the State Capitol and Washington D.C., OFB hosts Monthly Member Briefings via Zoom. These hour-long meetings take place the fourth Friday of the month at 7 a.m. and feature members of the OFB Government Affairs team, and sometimes special guests, giving need-to-know updates about the most pressing issues facing Farm Bureau members, with plenty of time for questions and answers.

Get the Zoom credentials at OregonFB.org/monthlybriefing or by emailing any OFB staff member.

WOMEN’S ADVISORY COUNCIL & LOCAL FARM BUREAU CHAPTERS DONATE TO LOCAL RONALD MCDONALD HOUSES

Thanks to the generosity of the Oregon Farm Bureau Women’s Advisory Council (WAC) and several county Farm Bureaus, two Ronald McDonald houses in Portland and one in Springfield were presented with several thousand dollars worth of groceries this month.

The Ronald McDonald House is a beacon of hope for families facing the overwhelming challenges of caring for a seriously ill child. These houses offer a comforting and affordable “home away from home” for families, allowing them to stay close to their children while they receive medical treatment. The impact of these facilities extends far beyond a place to rest – they provide a sense of community and support during times of great stress and uncertainty.

The Oregon Farm Bureau Women’s Committee has for many years acknowledged the remarkable efforts of the Ronald McDonald House and has worked hard to raise funds each year for much needed supplies. On October 2, 2023, eighteen full grocery carts made their way to two local Portland houses and on October 16, 2023, seven carts worth of groceries worked it’s way to the Springfield Ronald McDonald house.

County Farm Bureau’s that donated to this cause include Jefferson, Washington, Marion, Polk, Linn, Multnomah, Lane, Union, Yamhill, Douglas, Benton, Coos-Curry, Josephine, and Columbia.
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OREGON CENTURY FARM & RANCH PROGRAM AWARDS 11 FARMS & RANCHES

Last August, Oregon’s Century Farm & Ranch Program, which is administered through the Oregon Farm Bureau Foundation for Education, honored a total of eleven farm and ranches at the Oregon State Fair. Five farms and ranches were honored as a Century Farm or Ranch and six were awarded the Sesquicentennial (150 years) award. The recipients come from six different counties throughout Oregon, which brings the total number of Oregon Century Farms and Ranches to 1,257 and Sesquicentennial to 57.

The award recipients receive a certificate signed by the Governor and Director of the Oregon Department of Agriculture. Historic roadside signs are imprinted with the founder’s name and the year the ranch or farm was established.

The 2023 Century Farm Families honorees are:

Craig Family Ranch: Founded in Summerville, Oregon, in Union County in 1901 by Daniel and Lydia Craig. The applicants are Dallas and Bonnie Craig. Dallas is the great-grandson of founders Daniel and Lydia Craig.

Maney West Farm: Founded in Umatilla County in 1882 by David Gordon Jr. The applicant is Benjamin Maney. Benjamin is the great-great-grandson of founder David Gordon Jr.

Orchard View: Founded in The Dalles, Oregon, in Wasco County in 1923 by Walter and Mabel Bailey. The applicant is Brenda Thomas. There are currently two generations of family members involved in the farm operation, and Brenda Thomas is the great-granddaughter of founder Walter Bailey.


Roth Farm: Founded in Albany, Oregon, in Linn County in 1923 by David and Elizabeth Roth. The applicant is Larry Roth. Larry Roth is the grandson of David and Elizabeth Roth.

The 2023 Sesquicentennial Families being honored are:

Harnisch Farms Inc.: Founded in Linn County in 1863 by JJ Davis. The applicant is Esther Harnisch. Esther Harnisch is the great-great-great-granddaughter of founder JJ Davis.

Midway Ranches: Founded near Heppner, Oregon in Umatilla County that later became Morrow County in 1873 by Albert Wright. The applicants are Gerald & Dianna Wright Hoeft. Dianna is the great-great-granddaughter of founders Albert and Julia Ann Wright.

Loosley Ranch: Founded in Klamath County in 1873 by John and Lucy Loosley. The applicants are Randall and Jeanie Kizer. Randall is the great-great-grandson of founders John and Lucy Loosley.

Lee Family Farm: Founded in Milton-Freewater, Oregon, in Umatilla County in 1871 by Hiram Benoni Lee. The applicants are John Dale and Deborah Lynne Barker Lee. John Dale is the great-grandson of founder Hiram Benoni Lee.


Thayer Farm: Founded in Linn County in 1853 by Peter and Nancy Cyrus Powell. The applicants are Robert Dale and Vicki Lynn Thayer (Trust). Vicki Lynn Thayer is the great-great-granddaughter of founders Peter and Nancy Cyrus Powell.

For more details of the farms and ranches rewarded and to learn about Oregon’s Century Farm & Ranch Program, please visit www.centuryfarm.oregonfb.org
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On October 11, 2023, Governor Tina Kotek announced her choice to lead the Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA). Lisa Charpilloz Hanson, currently serving as the executive director of the Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board (OWEB), has been appointed to head ODA.

Governor Kotek emphasized the pressing need for data-driven and resilient solutions to address Oregon's intricate natural resources challenges. She expressed confidence in Lisa's ability to take the helm, citing her extensive experience in working with natural resource communities and her commitment to meeting the diverse needs of Oregonians across the state.

Lisa brings a wealth of experience to her new role, with over two decades of leadership, policy direction, and program administration under her belt. Her previous role as the deputy director at ODA for 15 years has equipped her with a deep understanding of the department's inner workings. Charpilloz Hanson is well-versed in leading, developing, and directing budget requests and legislative agendas for both ODA and OWEB. She also contributes her expertise to the Oregon State University College of Agricultural Sciences Leadership Academy Advisory Board.

Lisa expressed her honor at returning to the Department of Agriculture to serve the people of Oregon. Acknowledging the evolving needs of Oregon's diverse agricultural and food sectors in our changing environment, she voiced her enthusiasm for collaborating with the department's team to enhance the natural environment and the value of working lands. She also is eager to work closely with food and agriculture producers, further strengthening existing partnerships and forging new ones. She is committed to celebrating the rich diversity of Oregon agriculture and introducing customers in Oregon, the United States, and around the world to the diversity of Oregon agriculture and introducing customers.

Oregon Farm Bureau applauded the Governors decision and expressed support for Lisa to lead ODA. “Many of us have worked closely with Lisa in the past. She knows the agency, she knows agriculture, and she knows Oregon,” said Greg Addington, OFB Executive Director. “She will do a great job.”

Fires can result in significant damage or loss to valuable equipment and time in the field. Additionally, these incidents pose a significant safety threat to operators and their surroundings. Taking extra precautions to prevent fires can ensure a safe and successful harvest. Try our equipment fire prevention tips:

- **Perform regular maintenance on your equipment.** The foundation of fire prevention during harvest season begins with regular maintenance.
  - Inspect your combines and tractors before harvest season starts and each day they’re used, checking for any signs of wear and tear.
  - Replace damaged wiring, belts, and hoses, and ensure that all electrical components are in good working condition.
  - Routine maintenance can identify potential issues before they become serious problems.

- **Keep equipment clean.** Harvesting often involves working with dry and flammable materials such as straw, chaff, and dust. These materials can accumulate in and around your equipment, creating a fire hazard. To minimize this risk:
  - Clean your combines and tractors daily, paying particular attention to the engine and exhaust areas.
  - Use air compressors or blowers to remove debris from hard-to-reach spots.
  - Ensure that all access panels and hatches are securely closed to prevent debris from entering the engine or exhaust systems.

- **Practice safe refueling.**
  - When refueling your combines and tractors, always turn off the engine and allow it to cool before adding fuel.
  - Keep a safe distance from the fuel source to avoid accidental spills and ignition.
  - Store fuel in approved containers, away from heat sources.

- **Check electrical wiring and connections.** Faulty electrical wiring and connections are common causes of fires in agricultural equipment. To reduce this risk:
  - Routinely inspect wiring and connections for frayed wires, loose connections, or exposed components.
  - Replace damaged or worn wires immediately.
  - Use electrical components designed for agricultural use.

- **Always carry fire extinguishers.**
  - Ensure that your equipment is equipped with the proper fire extinguishers and that they are easily accessible.
  - Regularly check the extinguishers to ensure they are in good working order, and train operators on how to use them effectively.

- **Monitor temperature and heat.** Harvest season can bring scorching temperatures, which can increase the risk of fires due to overheating. To mitigate this risk:
  - Monitor temperature gauges and engine heat closely during operation.
  - Install heat shields and insulating materials where necessary to protect vulnerable components.

- **Establish no smoking zones.**
  - Create a strict no-smoking policy around your agricultural equipment and storage areas.
  - Smoking materials can easily ignite dry crops or fuel spills, so create designated smoking areas far from the machinery.

- **Educate and train employees.**
  - Ensure that all operators are well-trained in fire prevention and safety measures and how to properly operate each piece of equipment.
  - Make sure they are aware of the risks and how to respond in case of a fire emergency. Conduct regular safety meetings to reinforce best practices.

If you have a fire, after making sure no one is injured, file a farm claim and take steps to mitigate further damage to equipment, property and crops. If you have questions and would like to speak to a farm certified representative, please visit the COUNTRY Financial website.
If your mailing address has changed, please contact Heather Reams at 503.399.1701, ext. 325, heather@oregonfb.org.

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