APPLICATORS & PCAs



What you should KNOW:

Under California law, pesticide applicators are required to notify beekeepers 48 hours in advance of a pesticide application.

Applicators must log onto the CalAgPermits system and check for nearby beehives before any pesticide known to be harmful to bees is applied during bloom.

An internet-based system utilizing GIS mapping technology is now in place and working with CalAgPermits to help keep track of beehives. The system is known as BeeWhere.

Using this BeeWhere system, CalAgPermits will inform applicators if beehives are within a one-mile radius of the planned application site and contact information for the beekeeper will be provided.

Applicators must make every effort to notify the beekeeper 48 hours prior to the application.

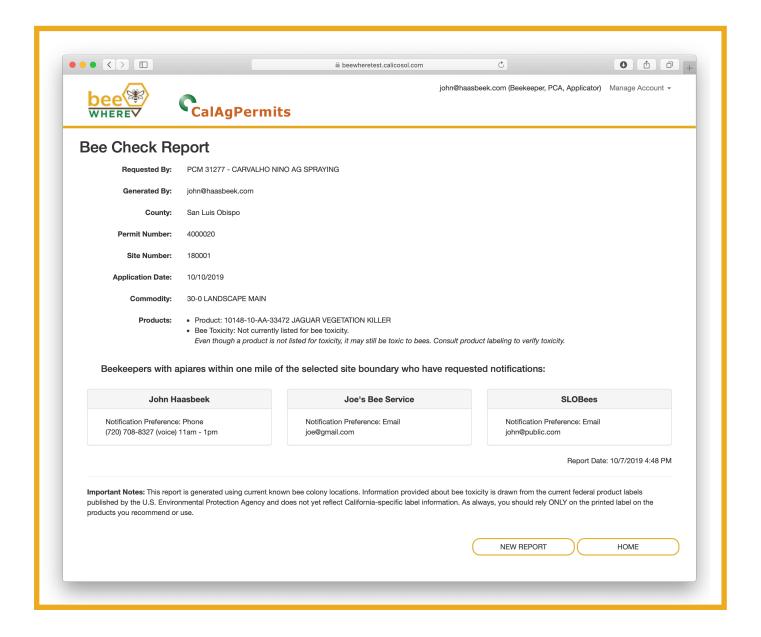
Pest Control Advisors can also use the CalAgPermits system to learn how many beehives are in the vicinity of a planned application. This information will allow PCAs to adjust pest control recommendations if necessary to protect bees.

WARNING: The CalAgPermits system will identify applicators who have failed to run a bee check report prior to application. Applicators may be held responsible for bee kills resulting from failure to comply with the law. Beekeepers who do not register and report the location of their hives are in violation of state regulations.

WHAT YOU SHOULD DO:

- 1. Visit <u>beewhere.calagpermits.org</u> and create an account or login using your existing CalAgPermits web user ID and password.
- 2. Pesticide applicators or Growers should select the option 'Access Grower Bee Check'.
- 3. Pest Control Advisors should select "Access PCA Bee Check".
- 4. Your permit operator ID and/or license information will be automatically verified by CalAgPermits.
- 5. Use the Bee Check report provided to check for bees and access contact information for beekeepers who have opted to be notified.

Below is a sample of what pesticide applicators will see when you run the BeeCheck report.



The goal of BeeWhere is to improve communications among beekeepers, farmers and pesticide businesses so bees are protected!

For more information, please visit www.beewherecalifornia.com.