

Pollinator Working Group Meeting

Date: Thursday November 10, 2016

Time: 4:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Location: NRCS, Conference Room
60 Quaker Lane, Warwick, RI 02886

AGENDA

4:00 p.m. - 4:05 p.m.: Call to Order and Welcome

4:05 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.: Working Group Business

- Date of Next Working Group Meeting: Thursday December 8, 2016, NRCS Conference Room, 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
- November 3, 2016 Meeting Minutes (*motion needed*)

4:15 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.: Reflection. Given the pollinator working group's charge: What do we know? What do we not know? And what can we do about it? Discuss data or information needed for final report. (*Meg facilitated discussion*)

Charged with: (a) Making findings with regard to: (1) Developments in the scientific and technical understanding of conditions and practices affecting pollinator population; (2) Conditions and practices affecting the maintenance, protection, and enhancement of pollinator habitat and health in Rhode Island; (3) Potential costs and benefits of changing such conditions and practices; and (b) With making recommendations, based on its findings, to maintain, protect, and enhance pollinator health and habitat in Rhode Island.

4:45 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.: *Rhode Island Pesticide Laws and Regulation*, Howard Cook, Pesticide Supervisor, RI Department of Environmental Management

5:30 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.: *Rhode Island's Pesticide Training Program*, Dr. Steven Alm, Professor of Entomology, University of Rhode Island

6:15 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.: Working Group Discussion

6:30 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.: Public Comment

6:45 p.m.: Adjourn Meeting

Please contact Shannon Brawley, RI Nursery and Landscape Association) 874-5220 or Ken Ayars, Division of Agriculture (222-2781 ext. 4500 or 640-4497, cell), or if you have questions or need additional information

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