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**PERMIT CONDITIONS FOR PESTICIDE USE WITHIN ¼ MILE OF SCHOOLS**

The Food and Agricultural Code, Section 11503.5 allows for the County Agricultural Commissioner to adopt regulations pertaining to California Restricted Material pesticide use within ¼ mile of schools. The law is listed below.

**Food and Agricultural Code Section 11503.5**

The county agricultural commissioner may apply Section 11503 to the agricultural use of any California Restricted Material pesticide for agricultural production within one-quarter mile of a school with respect to the timing, notification, and method of application. Any regulations adopted pursuant to this section shall become operative unless specifically disapproved in writing by the director within 30 calendar days of their submission by the commissioner.

In lieu of adopting regulations pertaining to pesticide use near schools the Sutter County Agricultural Commissioner would like your cooperation in mitigating pesticide use issues near schools and daycare centers. By voluntarily cooperating with our efforts to monitor pesticide applications near schools, we hope to avoid adopting further regulation that limits your flexibility in making pesticide use decisions.

**We ask that you follow the guidelines below when applying any pesticides by air or using an air blast sprayer within ¼ mile of a school or daycare center.**

1. File a Notice of Intent with the Agricultural Commissioners Office 24 hours prior to application of all pesticides applied by air or air blast sprayer.
2. Make all pesticide applications closer than 1/4 mile (1320 feet) only when school or daycare grounds are not occupied.
3. Make all applications closer than 1/4 mile (1320 feet) to schools, daycare centers, or dwellings with air movement away from the school or daycare center.

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Name on permit

Permit Number

Date