

**Recommendations of the
MFB Fruit and Vegetable Advisory Committee
From the March 29th, 2021 Meeting**

Recommendation No.1 Pesticide Use and Labeling

The MFB Fruit and Vegetable Advisory Committee recommends the following language be added to AFBF's Policy #336 Agricultural Chemicals.

We support securing Farm Bill funding for robust, peer-reviewed pesticide studies by land grant universities and USDA-ARS research stations into endangered species to better understand compliance and label usage to address where affected species are and how the pesticide is used.

For Policy Development

Recommendation No. 2 Pesticide Use and Labeling

The MFB Fruit and Vegetable Advisory Committee recommends the following language be added to AFBF's Policy #336 Agricultural Chemicals.

We support a peer-review, by land grant universities, of the two EPA models used in the "Revised Method for National Level Endangered Species Risk Assessment Process for Biological Evaluations of Pesticides" that analyze both areas where endangered species could be affected and risk factors to endangered species affected by pesticides.

For Policy Development

Recommendation No. 3 Pesticide Use and Labeling

The Michigan Farm Bureau Fruit and Vegetable Advisory Committee supports the below recommendation for AFBF Policy Development:

We encourage AFBF to more aggressively advocate for pesticide manufacturers for specialty crops and their existing and emerging pest threats.

For Policy Development

Recommendation No. 4 Pesticide Use and Labeling

The MFB Fruit and Vegetable Advisory Committee supports the below recommendation for AFBF Policy Development:

We encourage MFB to more aggressively advocate for pesticide manufacturers for specialty crops and their existing and emerging pest threats.

For Policy Development

Recommendation No. 5 Pesticide Use and Labeling

The MFB Fruit and Vegetable Advisory Committee recommends the following language be added to AFBF's Policy #336 Agricultural Chemicals.

A dedicated funding source to support research into specialty crops and their existing and emerging pest threats for new pesticide development and expanding current label registrations.

For Policy Development