

**THE NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROTECTION PRODUCT HARMONIZATION
AND REGISTRATION BOARD**

MINUTES OF December 2, 2020

The North Dakota crop Protection Product Harmonization and Registration Board met on December 2, 2020 via conference call.

Chairman Jeff Topp called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. Board members present were: Deputy Commissioner Tom Bodine serving for Commissioner Doug Goehring, Senator Terry Wanzek, Representative Mike Brandenburg, Troy Bassingthwaite, Dr. Greg Lardy, and Eric Lahlum.

Non-board members present included: Jerry Sauter (NDDA), Faye Wangen (NDDA), Dr. Michael Wunsch (NDSU), and Dan Wogsland (ND Grain Growers Association).

3. Approval of Minutes. Brandenburg moved to approve the minutes from the April 29, 2020 meeting. The motion was seconded by Bodine. Motion carried.

4. Minor Use Pesticide Fund Grant Budget Report. Sauter proved a report on the minor use fund budget. There was a carryover balance of \$78,579.67 from the 2017-2019 biennium. The legislature appropriated \$325,000.00 for the 2019—2021 biennium for a total of \$403,579.67. Payments made in the 2019-2021 biennium were \$150,716.00. Outstanding expenditures are \$84,586.50 for total obligations of \$235,302.50. Net funds available are \$168,277.17.

5. Pesticide Harmonization Grant Budget Report. Sauter provided a report on the pesticide harmonization grant fund. Legislative appropriation for the 201-2021 biennium is \$75,000. Payments for expenses so far total \$39,700.27 leaving a net fund balance of \$35,299.73.

Lardy moved to receive and file both reports. The motion was seconded by Lahlum. Motion carried.

6. Consideration of New Minor Use Fund Requests

- I. Optimizing the deployment of tank mixes with chlorothalonil for management of Ascochyta blight in chickpeas. Dr. Michael Wunsch, NDSU.

The proposed study seeks to optimize the deployment of tank-mixes with chlorothalonil by (1) quantifying the impact of spray droplet size and spray volumes on the efficacy of tank mixes with chlorothalonil, (2) quantifying the response to application rate of chlorothalonil, (3) assessing comparative performance of different brands of chlorothalonil when used as a tank-mix

partner with Proline, and (4) quantifying the response to tank-mixing with chlorothalonil across multiple fungicide chemistries.

Funds requested: \$35,810

Matching funds: Will approach Northern Pulse Growers Associate and the industries if approved. It's easier to get matching funds if approved for Minor Use Funds.

Motion made by Brandenburg to approve this funding. Seconded by Bodine. Motion carried.

7. Consideration of New Pesticide Harmonization Grant Requests

- I. 2020 E-Tour Grant Application. Dan Wogsland, ND Grain Growers Association.

The 2020 E-Tour was held in the Fargo area September 14-16 with several EPA officials attending. Farm tours were hosted in addition to in-person/virtual meetings. Appreciation was expressed for the support of this board.

Funds requested: \$4,161.00

Motion made by Bodine to approve the funding. Seconded by Bassingthwaite. Motion carried.

Bodine thanked Wogsland for having the E-Tour during this pandemic. Several members suggested Wogsland schedule a possible visit to Washington D.C. this spring. The purpose of this visit will be similar to current E-tours, to educate EPA staff about North Dakota agriculture and pesticide use in North Dakota. Discussion ensued regarding potential funding options. Wogsland is willing to go to Washington D.C. in the spring if it is safe to travel at that time. He will remain in contact with Bodine and the Board regarding this possibility.

8. Meeting adjourned 1:33 p.m.