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Notice of 30 Day Public Comment Period

The West Virginia Department of Agriculture is proposing the changes to Title 61, Series 12J Rules for Integrated Pest Management Programs in Schools and Day Care Centers and has established a 30 day public comment period ending July 15, 2009 at 4 p.m.

One change is designed to more specifically require either a school, day care **or** their contracted pesticide application business to be responsible for the documents that are contained in the Integrated Pest Management file.

A second amendment would require the contracted pesticide application business to notify a school or child care administrator 48 hours in advance of a Level 3 or 4 pesticide application, so that the school or child care center or facility would have ample time to provide 24 hour notification to parents and employees.

A third change has been proposed so that the terminology for day care centers and facilities is more in line with the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources by changing "day care" to "child care."

Changes to the proposed rule are available online at www.wvagriculture.org or you may call our office to request a hard copy. To obtain a copy of the amended rules as submitted, contact Herma Johnson or Grant Bishop by e-mail (hjohnson@ag.state.wv.us), (gbishop@ag.state.wv.us) or call 304-558-2209.

Submit written comments to Herma Johnson or Grant Bishop at West Virginia Department of Agriculture, Regulatory & Environmental Affairs Division, 1900 Kanawha Boulevard East, Charleston, WV 25305-0190.