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Third Public Meeting for BDR 49-176 (AB-32)

Greetings:

PLEASE NOTE: THE DATE FOR THE OPEN FORUM HAS CHANGED

The Nevada Department of Agriculture (NDA) has submitted a Bill Draft Review (BDR) to the Nevada Legislature for proposed amendments to Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS). These amendments, if approved, will add a requirement for government agencies employees who apply pesticides to obtain an accreditation from the NDA. These amendments will also strengthen an outdated exemption, which is currently allowing commercial landscapers and golf course maintenance contractors to avoid pest control applicator licensure.

Information regarding these proposed amendments and their impacts were discussed with industry representatives at two statewide public meetings held on October 24, 2016 and December 13, 2016. Many comments and suggestions were taken during and after the meeting and at this time the NDA would like to hold a third and final public meeting to review the edited language based on comments and suggestions from industry.

This third meeting will be held **January 19th, 2017 from 8:00am – 12:00pm** via video conference at all three NDA offices listed below in Las Vegas, Sparks and Elko. Attached is a copy of the revised language, you can also click [here](#) or visit our website at agri.nv.gov.

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If you have questions or comments about the proposed NRS amendments impacting the Pest Control program, you will have the opportunity to share them at this meeting. If you are not able to attend, please send written comments or questions about the proposed NRS changes to Ruth Tietjen via email at rtietjen@agri.nv.gov or mail to our Sparks office no later than January 18, 2017. Comments and questions related to the above topic submitted in writing will be presented at the public meeting.