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The Pesticide Stewardship Alliance (TPSA) is a collaborative partnership of government agencies - federal, state and local, educational and research institutions, public organizations, private corporations and individuals actively involved in stewarding the pesticide life cycle. Founded in 2000, TPSA utilizes education, training, outreach and other activities to accomplish stewardship objectives in local, national and international arenas http://tpsalliance.org/

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State Pesticide Disposal Map and Database

TPSA has published a State Pesticide Disposal Map & Database now available on the TPSA site. An interactive map links viewers to the contact information for each state. http://tpsalliance.org/resources/state-disposal-map

The TPSA Advisor

TPSA has announced the inaugural issue of its newsletter. It can be viewed on the TPSA site: http://tpsalliance.org/tpsa-advisor/. The next issue of the TPSA Advisor is scheduled for December 2016.

2016 Annual Conference

The 2016 TPSA Conference was held February 9-11, 2016 in Albuquerque, New Mexico at the Doubletree Hotel. The keynote speaker was Jon Entine; author of *Let Them Eat Precaution - How Politics Is Undermining the Genetic Revolution in Agriculture*. The conference focused on spray drift risk mitigation measures and improving application efficacy. Presentations included how new application technology, novel crop protection chemistries, and deposition aids are changing the way crop protection products are used and applied; the increased urban sprawl and interest in local food systems, vineyards, and organic crop production and the rise in public awareness and response to potential drift situations A leading area of interest at the conference was the newly revised EPA Worker Protection Standard (WPS). Information was presented on current WPS training and what is needed in the future. Personal protective equipment for pesticide applicators and spray drift label language and use issues were additional emerging topics covered at the conference. The 2016 Conference Papers and Presentations are available http://tpsalliance.org/the-presentations-from-the-2016-annual-conference-are-available/.

The **2017 TPSA Conference** will be held February 7-9, 2017 at the Catamaran Resort Hotel & Spa, San Diego, California.

Ongoing Question to the Board

Reeson Trossbach

Are there any specific structural pesticide stewardship issues that can be identified that may be best addressed through collaboration with TPSA?

Respectfully submitted,

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