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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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The 2018 TPSA Conference was held February 6-8, 2018 in Memphis, Tennessee at the Hilton Memphis. Attendees were welcomed to Memphis by Bill Gibbons with the Public Safety Institute at the University of Memphis. Richard Keigwin, Director, United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Office of Pesticide Programs, served as the keynote speaker and delivered the *Role of Stewardship in EPA's Registration Decisions*. The conference focused on the challenges and control of resistant weeds, drift and dicamba; worker/applicator health and safety; pesticide disposal and pesticide plastic recycling. Presentations included information on EPA's final certification rule, implementation of the changes to the WPS rule; drift research on 2,4D and dicamba and environmental stewardship as it relates to obsolete pesticide disposal and the recycling of pesticide plastic. 126 participants representing two countries attended the conference. The 2018 Conference presentations are available to attendees and TPSA members on the website.

The 2019 Pesticide Stewardship Conference is scheduled for February 5-7, 2019 in Savannah, Georgia. For more information, please visit: <u>http://tpsalliance.org</u> beginning in October 2018.

## **Current Projects**

- Reducing Spray Drift...<u>Visit page</u>
- Agricultural Plastics...<u>Visit page</u>
- Rinsing and Cleaning Pesticide Containers...Visit page
- Bee Health...<u>Visit page</u>
- International Stewardship...<u>Visit page</u>

Additional information can be found on the TPSA website including the latest issue of the <u>TPSA Adviser</u> (the biannual association newsletter).

## **Ongoing Question to the Board.**

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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