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## **Permit & Certification Renewals**

It's that time of year again- time to renew Pesticide Use Permits (PUP) and Community Certified Applicator Certifications (CCAC.) All PUPs expire December 31, while CCAC expiration depends upon the expiration date listed on the issued CCAC card.

Before conducting a regulated pesticide activity, ensure that your PUP is current. Applicators applying restricted use



pesticides must ensure that they have a valid CCAC before applying, or supervising the use of restricted use pesticides.



For renewal information, visit the PCO website here.

### **Protecting Pollinators**

Pesticides play an important role in controlling insects, weeds, and diseases on farms and in urban landscapes. The areas treated for pests are often shared by pollinators; mainly insects such as bees, butterflies, wasps and flies, as well as birds and bats. Pollinators, especially honey bees, are essential to the survival of the majority of flowering plants in our environment and to the production of more than 85 crops.



As a pesticide applicator, you are critical to reducing pesticide risks to honey bees. Proper pesticide use starts with following the product label. The use of Integrated Pest Management (IPM) and Best Management Practices (BMPs) wherever pollinators are present will...

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### **Worker Protection Standard Revisions**

January, 2017, is fast approaching and along with it, the revised Worker Protection Standard (WPS) goes into effect. It is important that agricultural employers and commercial pesticide handler employers know what is required of them, to ensure that they are in compliance.

The PCO is available to offer compliance assistance at the request of anyone who is required to comply with the WPS. Please visit the PCO's WPS webpage <u>here</u> for more information.



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#### UPCOMING CEU CLASSES

ADA Ag CEUs: Morning Session (3 CEUs) Sign-in: 8:00 a.m. CEU Course: 8:30 a.m. to

11:30 a.m.

Afternoon Session (3 CEUs) Sign-in: 12:30 p.m. CEU Course: 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The above sessions will be held at the following addresses on the dates listed:

Maricopa ~ December 6, 2016 Maricopa Ag Center 37860 W. Smith-Enke Rd. Maricopa, AZ 85138

Safford ~ December 7, 2016 General Services Building 921 W. Thatcher Blvd. Safford, AZ 85546

Yuma ~ December 15, 2016 Yuma Goodwill Career Center 3097 S. 8th Avenue Yuma, AZ 84364

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