

National Organic Standards Board Meeting TENTATIVE Agenda

Doubletree Hotel & Suites Pittsburgh City Center | One Bigelow Square | Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
 Pennsylvania Ballroom
 October 23-25, 2019

Schedule at a Glance:

	TU & TH Oct 15 & 17	Wednesday Oct 23	Thursday Oct 24	Friday Oct 25
MORNING		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Call to Order/Intros/ Secretary's report - NOSB report - USDA/AMS/NOP update - Marine Materials panel 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Public comments continued 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Crops Sbcmtc - Materials Sbcmtc
AFTERNOON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Public comment webinar(s) 1 - 4 pm ET 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Public comments - Group photo 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Handling Sbcmtc 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Policy Development Sbcmtc - Livestock Sbcmtc - CAC Sbcmtc - Deferred proposals/Final votes - Officer Elections - Work agendas/Materials' update - Recognition of outgoing members and closing remarks

Face-to-Face Meeting Format

- The Designated Federal Officer calls the meeting to order and adjourns the meeting. The NOSB Chair presides over the meeting.
- The USDA and National Organic Program (NOP) provide the NOSB with updates, and an overview of petitioned substances, sunset materials, and technical reports.
- The Board hears public comments.
- NOSB members present Subcommittee proposals, reports and discussion documents, and discuss public comment, prior to voting on proposals. Final votes may be deferred to the last day of the meeting if more deliberation is needed. NOTE: Agenda items may be withdrawn, or votes postponed at the discretion of the Board.
- There will be two 15-minute breaks (mid-morning & mid-afternoon) and a 90-minute lunch break mid-day. Recess and adjournment times may vary based on completion of business.

Public Comments (Written and Oral)

- All persons are encouraged to provide written comments via [Regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).
- All persons wishing to provide oral comments are asked to sign up in advance. Instructions are available at <https://www.ams.usda.gov/event/national-organic-standards-board-nosb-meeting-pittsburgh-pa>. There are two (2) opportunities to provide oral comments to the Board: During webinar(s) on October 15 & 17, 2019, and during the in-person meeting. Walk-in comment slots may become available on a first come-first served basis at the meeting, if the schedule allows.
- Each person may sign up for only one speaking slot. Commenters will be allowed a 3-minute time slot during either the webinar or at the face-to-face meeting. Each commenter must state his/her name and affiliation for the record at the beginning of their comment.

TUE/THU OCT 15 & 17	1:00 - 4:00 PM ET	<p>Public comment webinar(s)</p> <p>Please see the NOSB meeting webpage for login information and instructions</p>
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WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 23, 2019	8:30 AM	<p>Call to Order, Agenda Overview, Introductions Dr. Jennifer Tucker, NOP Deputy Administrator and NOSB members</p> <p>Secretary's report (acceptance of Spring 2019 meeting summary as official record) Scott Rice, Secretary</p>
	9:00 AM	<p>NOSB report Harriet Behar, NOSB Chairperson</p>
	9:15 AM	<p>USDA and Agricultural Marketing Service, National Organic Program Update Dr. Jennifer Tucker, NOP Deputy Administrator</p>
	10:15 AM	BREAK
	10:30 AM	<p>Marine Materials Panel Panelists: Mr. Chris Grigsby (Maine Organic Farmers and Gardeners Association) Dr. Nichole Price (Bigelow Laboratory for Ocean Sciences) Dr. Allison Schmidt (Dalhousie University) Dr. Raul Ugarte (Acadian Seaplants)</p>
	12:00 PM	LUNCH
	1:30 PM - 5:45 PM	<p>Public comments</p> <p>~3:30 PM BREAK</p>
	5:45 PM	RECESS
		NOSB GROUP PHOTO

THURSDAY OCTOBER 24, 2019

**8:30 AM -
2:45 PM**

**~10:15 AM
BREAK**

**~12:15 PM -
1:45 PM
LUNCH**

Public comments continued

**2:45 PM -
5:30 PM**

Handling Subcommittee (HS)
Dr. Asa Bradman, Chairperson

**15 min
BREAK
mid-way**

Topics:

2021 sunset substances review:

Acids, Citric
Acids, Lactic
Calcium chloride
Dairy cultures
Enzymes
L-Malic acid
Magnesium sulfate
Microorganisms
Perlite
Potassium iodide
Yeast

Activated charcoal
Alginic Acid
Ascorbic acid
Calcium citrate
Ferrous sulfate
Hydrogen peroxide
Nutrient vitamins and minerals
Peracetic acid
Potassium citrate
Potassium phosphate
Sodium acid pyrophosphate
Sodium citrate
Tocopherols

Celery powder
Fish oil
Gelatin
Orange pulp, dried
Seaweed, Pacific kombu
Seaweed, Wakame (*Undaria pinnatifida*)

Subcommittee discusses proposals and documents as needed
Board votes if ready

5:30 PM

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<p>8:30 AM - 10:30 AM</p>	<p>Crops Subcommittee (CS) Steve Ela, Chairperson</p> <p>Topics: Proposal: Fatty Alcohol (C6, C8, C10, C12 Naturally Derived) - petitioned Proposal: Potassium hypochlorite - petitioned 2021 sunset substances review: Hydrogen peroxide (§205.601a and §205.601i) Soaps, ammonium Oils, horticultural (Narrow range oils) (§205.601e and §205.601i) Pheromones Ferric phosphate Potassium bicarbonate Magnesium sulfate Hydrogen chloride Ash from manure burning Sodium fluoaluminate Discussion Document: Paper (Plant pots and other crop production aids) - petitioned</p> <p>Subcommittee discusses proposals and documents as needed Board votes if ready</p>
<p>10:30 AM</p>	<p>BREAK</p>
<p>10:45 AM</p>	<p>Materials Subcommittee (MS) Emily Oakley, Chairperson</p> <p>Topics: Proposal: Excluded methods - Induced mutagenesis and embryo transfer in Livestock Proposal: Genetic Integrity Transparency of Seed Grown on Organic Land Proposal: NOSB Research Priorities 2019 Discussion document: Marine materials in organic crop production Verbal update: Assessing cleaning and sanitation materials used in organic crop, livestock and handling</p> <p>Subcommittee discusses proposals and documents as needed Board votes if ready</p>
<p>12:30 PM</p>	<p>LUNCH</p>
<p>2:00 PM</p>	<p>Policy Development Subcommittee (PDS) Rick Greenwood, Chairperson</p> <p>Topics: Proposal: Updates to the policy & procedure manual (PPM)</p> <p>Subcommittee discusses proposals and documents as needed Board votes if ready</p>

FRIDAY OCTOBER 25, 2019

<p>2:15 PM</p>	<p>Livestock Subcommittee (LS) Sue Baird, Chairperson</p> <p>Topics: Proposal: Use of excluded method vaccines in organic livestock production 2021 sunset substances review: Atropine Hydrogen peroxide Iodine (§205.603a and §205.603b) Magnesium sulfate (Parasiticide) Fenbendazole (Parasiticide) Moxidectin Peroxyacetic/Peracetic acid Xylazine DL - Methionine Trace minerals Vitamins</p> <p>Discussion document: Fenbendazole - petitioned</p> <p>Subcommittee discusses documents as needed Board votes if ready</p>
<p>3:45 PM</p>	<p>Compliance, Accreditation, & Certification Subcommittee (CACS) Scott Rice, Chairperson</p> <p>Topics: Verbal update: Integrity of the supply chain/Oversight improvements to deter fraud</p>
<p>4:00 PM</p>	<p>BREAK</p>
<p>4:15 PM</p>	<p>Deferred proposals/Final votes NOSB Officer Elections NOSB work agendas/Materials update Recognition of outgoing members and closing remarks ADJOURN</p>