

National Organic Standards Board Meeting Agenda TENTATIVE

April 20 & 22 and April 28 - 30, 2021

Virtual via Zoom. All times Eastern.

Schedule at a Glance:

	TUE APR 20 & THU APR 22	WEDNESDAY APR 28	THURSDAY APR 29	FRIDAY APR 30
AFTERNOON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Public comment webinar(s) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Call to Order - Agenda Overview - Introductions - Secretary's report - NOSB report - USDA/NOP update - NIFA Update - Livestock Subcommittee (LS) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Materials Subcommittee (MS) - Compliance, Accreditation, & Certification Subcommittee (CACs) - Handling Subcommittee (HS) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Crops Subcommittee (CS) - Deferred Votes - Work agendas/ Materials' update - Other business/Closing remarks

Virtual Meeting Format

- NOTE: Members of the public will be able to see informational slides and hear/watch the live discussion by board members. Audience cameras and microphones will be disabled. The meeting will be recorded.
- The Designated Federal Officer calls the meeting to order and adjourns the meeting.
- The NOSB Chair presides over the meeting.
- 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 end of the meeting if more deliberation is needed. NOTE: Agenda items may be withdrawn, or votes postponed at the discretion of the Board.
- Please be aware that the meeting may run ahead or behind schedule.

Public Comments (Written and Oral)

- Written Comments: Written comments submitted to the NOSB may be viewed at [Regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov).
- Oral Comments: There are two oral comment webinars scheduled for April 20 and 22, 2021, noon-5:00 pm ET. The 30-day registration period to sign up for oral comments will close April 5, 2021.
- The public is welcome to observe the comment webinars without registering. Please see the [NOSB meeting webpage](#) for login instructions for each session.
- Each person registered to make public comments is allocated three minutes, as in past years, to allow time for as many speakers as possible. Each commenter will be asked to state their name and affiliation for the record at the beginning of their comment.

TUE/THU APR 20/22, 2021	NOON – 5:00 PM ET (w/breaks)	<p>Public comment webinars (Zoom) Meeting ID: 161 782 1182 (Same link both days)</p> <p>+1 669 254 5252 US (San Jose) +1 669 216 1590 US (San Jose) +1 551 285 1373 US +1 646 828 7666 US (New York)</p> <p>Find your local number: https://www.zoomgov.com/join/1617821182</p>
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WEDNESDAY APRIL 28, 2021	12:00 PM ET	<p>NOSB Business Meeting (Zoom) Meeting ID: 160 755 0391 (Same link all 3 days)</p> <p>+1 669 254 5252 US (San Jose) +1 669 216 1590 US (San Jose) +1 551 285 1373 US +1 646 828 7666 US (New York)</p> <p>Find your local number: https://www.zoomgov.com/join/1607550391</p> <p>Call to Order, Agenda Overview, Introductions NOSB Members and NOP Deputy Administrator</p> <p>Welcoming Remarks</p> <p>Secretary’s report (acceptance of Fall 2020 meeting summary as official record) Mindee Jeffery, NOSB Secretary</p> <p>NOSB report Steve Ela, NOSB Chairperson</p> <p>AMS Update; National Organic Program Update AMS Staff; Jennifer Tucker, NOP Deputy Administrator</p>
	2:00 PM	LUNCH (Offline)
	3:00 PM	<p>National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) Update on Organic Research Priorities Mat Ngouajio, Steve Smith, Neerja Tyagi (USDA - NIFA)</p>
	3:30 PM	<p>Livestock Subcommittee (LS) Kim Huseman, Chairperson</p> <p>Topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2023 Sunset substances reviews: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Activated charcoal Calcium borogluconate Calcium propionate Chlorine materials (Calcium hypochlorite, Chlorine dioxide, hypochlorous acid, sodium hypochlorite) Kaolin pectin Mineral Oil Nutritive supplements Propylene glycol Sodium chlorite, acidified Zinc sulfate <p>Subcommittee discusses reviews</p>
	4:30 PM	RECESS

THURSDAY APRIL 29, 2021 via ZOOM

<p>RECONVENE 12:00 PM ET</p>	<p>Materials Subcommittee (MS) Wood Turner, Chairperson</p> <p>Topics: Discussion Document: Research Priorities 2021 Discussion Document: Excluded Methods Spring 2021</p> <p>Subcommittee discusses proposals and documents, and votes on proposals</p>
<p>12:45 PM ET</p>	<p>Compliance, Accreditation, & Certification Subcommittee (CACS) Update Nate Powell-Palm, Chairperson</p> <p>Topics: Proposal: Human Capital: Strategy for Recruitment and Talent Management- Organic Inspectors and Reviewers Discussion Document: Human Capital Management - Supporting the Work of the NOSB</p> <p>Subcommittee discusses proposals and documents, and votes on proposals</p>
<p>1:15 PM ET</p>	<p>Handling Subcommittee (HS) Jerry D'Amore, Chairperson</p> <p>Topics: Proposal: Ion exchange filtration 2023 Sunset substances reviews: Agar-agar Animal enzymes Calcium sulfate - mined Carrageenan Glucono delta-lactone Tartaric acid Cellulose Chlorine materials (Calcium hypochlorite, Chlorine dioxide, hypochlorous acid, sodium hypochlorite) Potassium hydroxide Silicon dioxide Potassium lactate Sodium lactate Discussion Document: Zein - petitioned Discussion Document: Fish oil annotation</p> <p>Subcommittee discusses proposals and documents, and votes on proposals</p>
<p>2:00 PM ET</p>	<p>LUNCH (Offline)</p>
<p>3:00 PM ET</p>	<p>Handling Subcommittee (HS) Continued</p>
<p>5:00 PM</p>	<p>RECESS</p>

FRIDAY APRIL 30, 2021 via ZOOM

<p>RECONVENE 12:00 PM</p>	<p>Crops Subcommittee (CS) Rick Greenwood, Chairperson</p> <p>Topics: Proposal: Paper (Plant pots and other crop production aids) - petitioned Proposal: Biodegradable biobased mulch annotation change 2023 Sunset substances review: Copper sulfate Ozone gas Peracetic acid EPA List 3 - Inerts of unknown toxicity Chlorine materials (Calcium hypochlorite, Chlorine dioxide, hypochlorous acid, sodium hypochlorite) Magnesium oxide Calcium chloride Rotenone Discussion Document: Ammonia Extract - petitioned Discussion Document: Kasugamycin - petitioned</p> <p>Subcommittee discusses proposals and documents, and votes on proposals</p>
<p>~2:00 PM</p>	<p>LUNCH (Offline)</p>
<p>3:00 PM</p>	<p>Crops Subcommittee (CS) Continued</p>
<p>3:30 PM</p>	<p>Deferred Votes</p>
	<p>NOSB work agendas/Materials update</p>
	<p>Other business and closing remarks</p>
<p>4:15 PM</p>	<p>ADJOURN</p>