



National Organic Standards Board Meeting
Ballroom, Salons A-D, La Jolla Marriott La Jolla, CA 92037 April 27-30, 2015
Agenda

Schedule at a Glance:

	Monday April 27	Tuesday April 28	Wednesday April 29	Thursday April 30
MORNING	Call to Order/Introductions/ Secretary's Report NOP Report Materials Update NOSB Report EPA Safer Choice Program (DfE) Presentation Public Comments	Public Comments Continued	Handling Subcommittee	Materials Subcommittee + Seed Purity Panel Compliance, Accreditation & Certification Subcommittee Livestock Subcommittee
AFTERNOON	Public Comments Continued NOSB Group Photo	Handling Subcommittee	Crops Subcommittee	Deferred Items/Final Votes Work Agendas Plaque Presentation Other Business/Closing Remarks

Meeting Format

- The Designated Federal Officer (DFO/NOP Deputy Administrator) will call the meeting to order, and the NOSB Chair will facilitate the meeting.
- The USDA and National Organic Program (NOP) provide the NOSB with updates, reports, and an overview of petitioned substances, sunset materials, and technical reports.
- The Board hears public comments, which are grouped by topic to facilitate review.
- NOSB members present Subcommittee proposals and discussion documents, discuss public comment, and then the NOSB votes 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- NOTE: Agenda items may be withdrawn or votes may be postponed at the discretion of the Board.
- There will be two 15-minute breaks (mid-morning & mid-afternoon) and a 75-minute lunch break mid-day.

Oral Public Comments

- All persons wishing to comment at NOSB meetings during the public comment period are asked to sign up in advance. Instructions are available at www.ams.usda.gov/NOSBMeetings. Walk-in comment slots may become available on a first come-first served basis at the meeting, if the schedule allows.
- Each commenter must state his/her name and affiliation for the record at the beginning of their comment.
- Each person may sign up for only one speaking slot. The amount of time provided for each comment will be determined by the number of commenters and the time available.



MONDAY APRIL 27, 2015	8:30 AM	<p>Call to Order, Agenda Overview Miles McEvoy, AMS Deputy Administrator</p> <p>Introductions Dr. Jean Richardson, Chairperson</p> <p>Secretary's Report, Acceptance of October 2014 Meeting Summary and Voting Results as Official Record Harold Austin, Secretary</p>
	9:00 AM	<p>National Organic Program Report Miles McEvoy, Deputy Administrator, National Organic Program (NOP)</p>
	9:45 AM	<p>NOSB Report Dr. Jean Richardson, NOSB Chairperson</p>
	10:00 AM	<p>National Organic Program - Materials Update/Summary of New and Outstanding Petitions Dr. Lisa M. Brines, NOP National List Manager</p>
	10:20 AM	<p>BREAK (10 min)</p>
	10:30 AM	<p>Presentation on Inerts: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Safer Choice Program (formerly Design for the Environment) Clive Davies, Chief, Design for the Environment Branch at EPA</p>
	11:30 AM	<p>Public Comments - remainder of day</p>
	12:30 PM	<p>LUNCH (75 min)</p>
	3:30 PM	<p>BREAK (15 min)</p>
	6:30 PM	<p>RECESS</p>
	<p>Group Photo</p>	



TUESDAY APRIL 28, 2015	8:30 AM	Public Comments
	10:30 AM	BREAK
	10:45 AM	Public Comments Continued
	12:30 PM	LUNCH
	1:45 PM	Public Comments Continued
	3:15 PM	<p>Handling Subcommittee Harold Austin, Chairperson</p> <p>Topics:</p> <p>Proposal: Glycerin - petitioned for removal Proposal: Whole Algal Flour - petitioned Proposal: Ammonium Hydroxide - petitioned (PETITION WITHDRAWN MARCH 16, 2015) Proposal: PGME - petitioned Proposal: Triethyl citrate- petitioned Proposal: Ancillary Substances for Microorganisms</p> <p>2016 Sunset Review:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Egg White Lysozyme L-Malic Acid Microorganisms Activated Charcoal Peracetic Acid Cyclohexylamine Diethylaminoethanol Octadecylamine Sodium Acid Pyrophosphate (SAPP) Tetrasodium Pyrophosphate (TSPP) <p>2017 Sunset Summaries: See end of agenda for complete list of materials</p>
	3:45 PM	BREAK
	4:00 PM	Handling Subcommittee continued
6:30 PM	RECESS	



WEDNESDAY APRIL 29, 2015

8:30 AM	<p>Handling Subcommittee Continued Harold Austin, Chairperson</p> <p>Topics: See previous day for list of topics</p>
10:30 AM	BREAK
10:45 AM	<p>Handling Subcommittee Continued Subcommittee discusses proposals as needed Board votes if ready</p>
12:30 PM	LUNCH
1:45 PM	<p>Crops Subcommittee Zea Sonnabend, Chairperson</p> <p>Topics: Proposal: Exhaust Gas - petitioned Proposal: Allyl isothiocyanate (AITC) - (PETITION WITHDRAWN MARCH 11, 2015) Proposal: Calcium Sulfate - petitioned Proposal: 3-decene-2-one - petitioned Report: Contamination Issues in Farm Inputs 2016 Sunset reviews Ferric Phosphate Hydrogen Chloride 2017 Sunset Summaries: See end of agenda for complete list of materials</p>
3:30 PM	BREAK
3:45 PM	<p>Crops Subcommittee continued Subcommittee discusses proposals as needed Board votes if ready</p>
5:30 PM	RECESS



THURSDAY APRIL 30, 2015

8:30 AM	<p>Materials Subcommittee Dr. C. Reuben (Calvin) Walker, Chairperson</p> <p>Seed Purity Panel</p> <p>Topics: Discussion Document: Excluded Methods Terminology Discussion Document: Prevention Strategy Guidance for Excluded Methods in Crops and Handling</p>
10:25 AM	BREAK
10:40 AM	<p>Compliance, Accreditation and Certification Subcommittee Carmela Beck, Chairperson</p> <p>Topics: Proposal: Peer Review</p> <p>Subcommittee discusses proposals as needed Board votes if ready</p>
11:00 AM	<p>Livestock Subcommittee Tracy Favre, Chairperson</p> <p>Topics: Proposal: Methionine (MET) - petitioned Proposal: Acidified Sodium Chlorite (ASC) - petitioned Proposal: Zinc Sulfate - petitioned Discussion Document: Aquaculture Legacy Document 2017 Sunset Summaries: See end of agenda for complete list of materials</p>
12:30 PM	LUNCH
1:45 PM	<p>Livestock Subcommittee continued</p> <p>Subcommittee discusses proposals as needed Board votes if ready</p>
2:45 PM	Deferred Proposals/Final Votes
3:30 PM	BREAK
3:45 PM	Deferred Proposals/Final Votes
4:45 PM	Subcommittee Workplans
5:00 PM	Presentation of Plaques for Incoming Members
5:15 PM	Other Business and Closing Remarks
5:30 PM	ADJOURN

2017 Sunset Materials

Handling 2017 Sunset Materials

§205.605(a) Nonsynthetics allowed

Acid, Alginic
 Acid, Citric
 Acid, Lactic
 Attapulgit
 Bentonite
 Calcium carbonate
 Calcium chloride
 Dairy cultures
 Diatomaceous earth
 Enzymes
 Flavors
 Kaolin
 Magnesium sulfate
 Nitrogen
 Oxygen
 Perlite
 Potassium chloride
 Potassium iodide
 Sodium bicarbonate
 Sodium carbonate
 Waxes: Carnauba
 Waxes: Wood rosin
 Yeast

§205.605(b) Synthetics allowed

Acidified sodium chlorite
 Alginates
 Ammonium bicarbonate
 Ammonium carbonate
 Ascorbic acid
 Calcium citrate
 Calcium hydroxide
 Calcium phosphates: monobasic, dibasic, tribasic
 Carbon dioxide
 Chlorine Materials (Calcium hypochlorite, Chlorine dioxide, Sodium hypochlorite)
 Ethylene
 Ferrous sulfate
 Glycerides: mono and di
 Glycerin
 Hydrogen peroxide
 Magnesium carbonate

Magnesium chloride
 Magnesium stearate
 Nutrient vitamins and minerals
 Ozone
 Phosphoric acid
 Potassium acid tartrate
 Potassium carbonate
 Potassium citrate
 Potassium phosphate
 Sodium citrate
 Sodium hydroxide
 Sodium phosphates
 Sulfur dioxide
 Tocopherols
 Xanthan gum

§205.606 (PDF) Nonorganically produced agricultural products allowed as ingredients in or on processed products labeled as “organic.”

Casings
 Celery powder
 Chia (*Salvia hispanica* L.)
 Colors: Various
 Dillweed oil
 Fish oil
 Fructooligosaccharides
 Galangal, frozen
 Gelatin
 Gums: Arabic, Carob bean, Guar, Locust bean
 Inulin-oligofructose enriched
 Kelp
 Konjac flour
 Lecithin - de-oiled
 Lemongrass-frozen
 Orange pulp, dried
 Orange Shellac - unbleached
 Pectin (non-amidated forms only)
 Peppers (Chipotle chile)
 Seaweed, Pacific kombu
 Starches, Cornstarch (native), Sweet potato
 Turkish bay leaves
 Wakame seaweed (*Undaria pinnatifida*)
 Whey protein concentrate



Crops 2017 Sunset Materials

§205.601 Synthetic substances allowed for use in organic crop production

Alcohol (Ethanol, Isopropanol)
 Chlorine Materials (Calcium hypochlorite, Chlorine dioxide, Sodium hypochlorite)
 Hydrogen peroxide
 Soap-based algicide/demossers
 Herbicides, soap-based
 Newspaper or other recycled paper
 Plastic mulch and covers
 Soaps, ammonium
 Ammonium carbonate
 Boric acid
 Elemental sulfur
 Lime sulfur
 Oils, horticultural
 Soaps, insecticidal
 Sticky traps/barriers
 Sucrose octanoate esters
 Pheromones
 Vitamin D3
 Copper sulfate
 Coppers, fixed

Hydrated lime
 Potassium bicarbonate
 Aquatic plant extracts
 Humic acids
 Lignin sulfonate
 Magnesium sulfate
 Micronutrients (Soluble boron products, Sulfates, carbonates, oxides, or silicates of zinc, copper, iron, manganese, molybdenum, selenium, and cobalt)
 Liquid fish products
 Vitamin B1, C, E
 Ethylene
 Sodium silicate
 EPA List 4 - Inerts of Minimal Concern
 Microcrystalline cheesewax

§205.602 Prohibited nonsynthetic substances

Ash from manure burning
 Arsenic
 Lead salts
 Potassium chloride
 Sodium fluoaluminate
 Strychnine
 Tobacco dust (nicotine sulfate)

Livestock 2017 Sunset Materials

§205.603 Synthetic substances allowed for use in organic livestock production

Alcohols (Ethanol, Isopropanol)
 Aspirin
 Atropine
 Biologics, Vaccines
 Butorphanol
 Chlorhexidine
 Chlorine Materials (Calcium hypochlorite, Chlorine dioxide, Sodium hypochlorite)
 Electrolytes
 Flunixin
 Furosemide
 Glucose
 Glycerin
 Hydrogen peroxide
 Iodine
 Magnesium hydroxide
 Magnesium sulfate
 Oxytocin
 Parasiticides (Fenbendazole, Ivermectin, Moxidectin)
 Peroxyacetic/Peracetic acid

Phosphoric acid
 Poloxalene
 Tolazoline
 Xylazine
 Copper sulfate
 Formic Acid
 Iodine
 Lidocaine
 Lime, hydrated
 Mineral oil
 Procaine
 Sucrose octanoate esters
 Methionine
 Trace minerals
 Vitamins
 EPA List 4 - Inerts of Minimal Concern
 Excipients

§205.604 Prohibited nonsynthetic substances

Strychnine