

**Meeting with the AmericanHort:** On February 15, 2024, EPA staff from EPA’s Office of Pesticide Programs’ (OPP) Certification and Worker Protection Branch (CWPB), within the Pesticide Re-evaluation Division (PRD), met with AmericanHort – a trade association representing members within the horticulture industry – and some of its members. During the 30-minute meeting, AmericanHort participants provided an overview of horticulture practices and how AEZs and entry restrictions for enclosed spaces are implemented and/or impact certain horticulture practices. CWPB staff answered clarifying questions on the existing requirements and the proposed rule and provided a status update on the Application Exclusion Zone final rule and anticipated timeline.

**EPA:**

1. Carolyn Schroeder, Branch Chief
2. Ryne Yarger
3. Aidan Black
4. Isabel Gross

**Non-EPA Attendees:**

1. Frida Mendez
2. Matt Mitka
3. Mark Yelanich
4. Kurt Becker
5. Laurie Flanagan

**Meeting with the Oregon Law Center:** On July 11, 2024, management and staff from EPA’s PRD met with the representatives from Oregon Law Center (OLC), Earthjustice, and Emory University who support farmworkers directly or work on issues related to farmworker employment, occupational health and safety, and labor housing. During the hour-long meeting, participants discussed farmworker housing, expectations and concerns related to the AEZ requirements around farmworker housing, and the need for coordination and outreach at the state and local levels following the final rule’s publication. EPA staff answered clarifying questions and provided a status update on the AEZ final rule and anticipated timeline.

**EPA:**

1. Anne Overstreet, Director, PRD
2. Carolyn Schroeder, Branch Chief, CWPB
3. Ryne Yarger
4. Aidan Black
5. Isabel Gross

**Non-EPA Attendees:**

1. Nargess Shadbeh, OLC
2. Madeleine Morawski, OLC
3. Patti Goldman, Earthjustice
4. Noorulanne Jan, Earthjustice
5. Linda McCauley, Emory University