State of Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection

NOTICE OF HEARING

Rule Relating to Mountain Pine Beetle Exterior Quarantine

The Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection ("Department") announces that it will hold public hearings on a proposed rule relating to restricting the import of certain plants, wood, and wood products to prevent the introduction of the Mountain Pine Beetle into Wisconsin.

The Department will hold two public hearings at the times and places shown below.

Hearing Dates and Locations:

June 8, 2016 10:00 am to 12:00 pm Room 211 Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection 2811 Agriculture Drive Madison, Wisconsin 53718

June 8, 2016
11:00 am to 1:00 pm
2nd Floor Meeting Room
Marathon County Public Library
300 N. First Street
Wausau, Wisconsin 54403

The Department invites the public to attend the hearings and comment on the proposed rule. Following the public hearings, the hearing record will remain open until June 27, 2016, for additional written public comments. Comments may be sent to the Division of Agricultural Resource Management at the address below, or to renee.pinski@wisconsin.gov.

You can obtain a free copy of this hearing draft rule and related documents including the economic impact analysis by contacting the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection, Division of Agricultural Resource Management, 2811 Agriculture Drive, P.O. Box 8911, Madison, Wisconsin 53708. You can also obtain a copy by calling Renee Pinski at (608) 224-4745 or by emailing renee.pinski@wisconsin.gov. Copies will also be available at the hearing. To view the hearing draft rule online, go to: http://adminrules.wisconsin.gov.

Comments or concerns relating to small businesses may also be addressed to the Department's small business regulatory coordinator Keeley Moll at the address above, or by email to keeley.moll@wisconsin.gov, or by telephone at (608) 224-5039.

Hearing impaired persons may request an interpreter for this hearing. Please make reservations for a hearing interpreter by May 25, 2016, by writing to Renee Pinski, Division of Agricultural Resource Management, P.O. Box 8911, Madison, Wisconsin 53708-8911; or by emailing renee.pinski@wisconsin.gov; or by telephone at (608) 224-4745. Alternatively, you may contact the Department TDD at (608) 224-5058. The hearing facility is handicap accessible.

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