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Subject: Warning Letter

The enclosed Warning Letter is for failure to properly protect persons, animals, and property while applying a pesticide on Tierra Buena School property. Our office received a pesticide drift complaint on August 11th, 2019 of a school employee spraying weeds on the shared fence line between the home owner and school. Agricultural Standards biologist took foliar samples from the backyard, buffer zone, and treated site and sent them to the lab for testing. The test samples came back positive for, Diquat Dibromide, Dicamba, Fluazifop-p-butyl, the active ingredients in Spectracide (EPA #9688-293-8845). Based on the positive results, this is a violation of CCR 6614(b).

Based upon the above non-compliances, a Notice of Proposed Action will follow shortly. Please be advised that any further non-compliance of this nature may result in increased fine actions. If you have any questions regarding this enforcement action, call us at (530) 822-7500.

Sincerely,

Scott Bowden
Deputy Agricultural Commissioner / Sealer

By: Christopher Ramirez
Agricultural Biologist II

CCR 6614 b (3)

§ 6614. Protection of Persons, Animals, and Property.

(b) Notwithstanding that substantial drift will be prevented, no pesticide application shall be made or continued when:

(1) There is a reasonable possibility of contamination of the bodies or clothing of persons not involved in the application process.