Pesticide Application Notification ISU Research Farm

The Worker Protection Standard (WPS) is designed to reduce risk of accidental pesticide exposure. WPS requires information of pesticide applications on the premises for ag workers and pesticide handlers. Therefore, on ISU Research Farms the following practices will be employed:

- Signs near farm entrances will notify all that the farm is an agricultural field research facility and that pesticides are frequently applied. The sign will have instructions to contact farm staff. The sign is primarily for visitors.
- Research projects that apply pesticides as treatments are required to post signs at their plots. Contacts for buying the signs are available from the farm manager. Signs are at the cost of the research project. Posting and removal of the signs are the responsibility of the research project staff, if they apply the pesticides.
- The AEA Farm will notify of farm pesticide application via CyBox, in addition to oral notification, when applicable.
- The CI Farms will notify of farm pesticide application by contacting project leaders in the area of the application.
- It is the responsibility of workers who are in their field plots and see a sprayer or suspect spray exposure to leave their plots immediately.
- Any questions about pesticide application should be directed to the respective farm manager and their records.

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