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Pesticide Division

To Arkansas Plant Board Members ;

Greetings board members,

I write to you ASKING that you not extend the cutoff date to use the chemical DICAMBA. If anything be done it would be to lessen the date. Or even better to completely ban the use of DICAMBA.

It has taken a big toll on so many garden and fruit trees in our region. I am retired and rely on garden vegetables as a way of living. As do so many others in Northeast Arkansas.

Not only is it killing our way of life it is killing US in the long run. Just as ROUNDUP is causing so many illness problems, DICAMBA will start to cause health issues.

It also causes problems between farmers and the general public. Even to the point of human death which is wrong.

I myself even was threatened, being told that what little I have is worth nothing and that spraying would be continued regardless of outcome. Even if they followed the regulations to the letter, which they don't it still is not good. I may have a little bit but it's important to me.

I beg of you please help to fight for the rights of the public. Don't let our health and wellbeing be jeopardized by a few farmers that has no respect for others or property.

I was farm raised and farmed for myself in the 70's and 80's and I respected everyone as I would myself.

Thank you for allowing me to have input on such a important topic.

Sincerely,
Sam Lee