

California Department of Food and Agriculture

BOARD MEETING NOTICE

The Vertebrate Pest Control Research Advisory Committee will hold a Board Meeting on **December 18, 2024, at 10 a.m.**

Physical location:

CDFA Plant Pest Diagnostics Conference Room at:
3294 Meadowview Rd, Sacramento, CA 95832

Zoom Meeting Information:

Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85629686750>
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For further information, please contact Emily Schoenborn, Senior Environmental Scientist Specialist, Integrated Pest Control Branch, 1220 N Street Sacramento, CA 95814. (916) 764-7759.

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AGENDA

- 1) Welcome**
- 2) Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act and VPCRAC Compliance**
- 3) Approval of Minutes**
- 4) California Department of Food and Agriculture Updates**
 - a) Program Updates
 - a. USEPA Registration Review
 - b. Alternate Source for Chlorophacinone Technical
 - c. Rats in Orchards – West San Joaquin Valley
 - b) Vertebrate Legislation and Regulations
 - c) County Reports
- 5) Other Agency Updates**

6) Financial Reports

- a) Program Budget, Expenditures, and Revenue Review
- b) Fund Condition and Research Expenditures
- c) Proposed Budget for FY 24/25

7) Committee Membership

- a) Board Member Requirements
- b) Vacancy
- c) Review of Committee Chair and Vice Chair

8) Monitoring Rodent Populations in California

9) 2025-2026 Research Proposal Guidelines

10) Research Proposals

11) Research Updates

- a) "Development of a management program for voles in alfalfa."
- b) "Developing and testing an IPM approach for managing roof rats in citrus."
- c) "Investigating invasive roof rat resistance."
- d) "Determining utility of drones for monitoring ground squirrel burrow systems."
- e) "Testing the applicability of new application strategies of zinc phosphide for managing ground squirrels."

12) Sunset on Food and Agriculture Code sec. 6029 January 1, 2026

13) Other Items

- a) Identifying Northern California rodenticide mixing location
- b) Yearly Meeting Calendar review and location for the next meeting
- c) Public Comment on Matters not on this Agenda
- d) Future Action Items

Adjournment

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