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NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

INCLUDING STATEMENT OF NEED & FISCAL IMPACT

CHAPTER 603

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

FILED

09/12/2025 8:41 AM **ARCHIVES DIVISION** SECRETARY OF STATE

FILING CAPTION: Increase pesticide registration fees.

LAST DAY AND TIME TO OFFER COMMENT TO AGENCY: 10/24/2025 5:00 PM

The Agency requests public comment on whether other options should be considered for achieving the rule's substantive goals while reducing negative economic impact of the rule on business.

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HEARING(S)

Auxiliary aids for persons with disabilities are available upon advance request. Notify the contact listed above.

DATE: 10/21/2025

TIME: 2:00 PM - 2:30 PM **OFFICER: Sunny Summers**

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NEED FOR THE RULE(S)

The Pesticides Program is primarily funded by pesticide registration fees. In order to maintain current service levels, ODA needs to increase pesticide registration fees. The updated fees will help ensure that ODA can continue to administer and enforce Oregon's pesticide laws and regulations.

DOCUMENTS RELIED UPON, AND WHERE THEY ARE AVAILABLE

- OAR 603-057-0006 Oregon Secretary of State website
- ORS 634.016 Oregon Legislative website
- HB 2809 2025 regular session

STATEMENT IDENTIFYING HOW ADOPTION OF RULE(S) WILL AFFECT RACIAL EQUITY IN THIS STATE

ODA does not anticipate a direct impact on racial equity as a result of the proposed fee increases to the pesticide product registration fee. The fee adjustment applies uniformly to all pesticide registrants (ORS 634.006(23)).

FISCAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT:

The registration fee is paid by companies that sell or distribute pesticide products in Oregon, which are typically manufacturers and/or distributors. Companies marketing conventional pesticide products in the U.S., incorporate state pesticide registration fees into their business plan for marketing their product.

COST OF COMPLIANCE:

- (1) Identify any state agencies, units of local government, and members of the public likely to be economically affected by the rule(s). (2) Effect on Small Businesses: (a) Estimate the number and type of small businesses subject to the rule(s); (b) Describe the expected reporting, recordkeeping and administrative activities and cost required to comply with the rule(s); (c) Estimate the cost of professional services, equipment supplies, labor and increased administration required to comply with the rule(s).
- (1) Identify any state agencies, units of local government, and members of the public likely to be economically affected by the rule(s):
- ODA does not anticipate a direct impact to state agencies or units of local government. The proposed rule amendments will primarily affect registrants of pesticide products who will pay the higher fees to register their products in Oregon.
- (2) Effect on small businesses:
- (a) Estimate the number and type of small businesses subject to the rule(s):
- Approximately 1,442 businesses will potentially be affected. Many of the impacted businesses are large multi-national corporations; however, 1 non-profit and approximately 33 businesses are in Oregon, and almost half of them potentially could be considered small businesses.
- (b) Describe the expected reporting, recordkeeping and administrative activities and cost required to comply with the rule(s):
- The rule amendment does not require any additional reporting, recordkeeping, or administrative activities.
- (c) Estimate the cost of professional services, equipment, supplies, labor, and increased administration required to comply with the rule(s):

The rule amendment does not require any changes to processes or systems already in place.

DESCRIBE HOW SMALL BUSINESSES WERE INVOLVED IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THESE RULE(S):

Individuals who represent the interests of businesses that register products were part of the public legislative budget approval process that approved ODA to increase registration fees and incorporate the additional revenue, additionally comments from the business communities will be solicited, such as Oregonians for Food and Shelter, Oregon Farm Bureau, and others during the public comment process.

WAS AN ADMINISTRATIVE RULE ADVISORY COMMITTEE CONSULTED? NO IF NOT, WHY NOT?

No, an administrative rule advisory committee was not consulted for this rule change. This change is limited in scope and only changes the registration fee amount. Given the targeted nature of the adjustment, which addresses a specific need and the legislative budget process that approved the increase, the need for a formal advisory committee was not deemed necessary.

AMEND: 603-057-0006

RULE SUMMARY: Increases pesticide registration fee.

CHANGES TO RULE:

603-057-0006 Pesticide Registration Fees \P

- (1) The annual registration fee for each pesticide product for calendar year 20225 shall be 3260.¶
- (2) Beginning for calendar year $2023\underline{6}$ pesticide product registration, the annual nonrefundable registration fee for each pesticide product shall be \$36400.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 634, HB 3549 (2015), HB 5002 (2015), SB 5507 (2015) ORS 634.016 Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 634, HB 3549 (2015), HB 5002 (2015), SB 5507 (2015) ORS 634.016