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**From:** Cassie Shirk -GOV- [cassie.shirk@maryland.gov]  
**Sent:** 6/30/2017 3:14:29 PM  
**To:** Bennett, Tate [/o=ExchangeLabs/ou=Exchange Administrative Group (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/cn=Recipients/cn=1fa92542f7ca4d01973b18b2f11b9141-Bennett, E]  
**Subject:** Re: Pesticides on tobacco

Hi, again! Just wanted to follow up from our call this morning. If you could provide me with a list of pesticides approved for tobacco crops it would be much appreciated.

Have a great 4th!



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On Fri, Jun 30, 2017 at 8:39 AM, Cassie Shirk -GOV- <[cassie.shirk@maryland.gov](mailto:cassie.shirk@maryland.gov)> wrote:

Good morning!

This is very helpful. Thank you! I just tried to call, but I think you might be on the other line. Could you give me a call when you have a chance?

Thanks,  
Cassie Shirk

On Jun 30, 2017 8:20 AM, "Bennett, Tate" <[Bennett.Tate@epa.gov](mailto:Bennett.Tate@epa.gov)> wrote:

Under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), EPA regulates the use of pesticides on tobacco.

Because tobacco is not a food, we do not set tolerances (also known as maximum residue limits) for pesticide residues on tobacco; EPA's authority to set tolerances is provided by the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA).

A nonfood use pesticide is a product that is permitted solely for use in pesticide applications to nonfood use sites. Examples of nonfood use sites include highway rights-of way, forestry, sewage lines, and ornamental plants.

Also, Dennis Howard leads the Pesticide Regulation Section at the Maryland Department of Agriculture and would be an additional resource.

On Jun 29, 2017, at 4:20 PM, Cassie Shirk -GOV- <[cassie.shirk@maryland.gov](mailto:cassie.shirk@maryland.gov)> wrote:

Also, could you please tell me what a "non food use products is?"

On Jun 29, 2017 4:08 PM, "Cassie Shirk -GOV-" <[cassie.shirk@maryland.gov](mailto:cassie.shirk@maryland.gov)> wrote:

I just realized I addressed the email using you last name. Sorry!!

On Jun 29, 2017 4:04 PM, "Cassie Shirk -GOV-" <[cassie.shirk@maryland.gov](mailto:cassie.shirk@maryland.gov)> wrote:  
Hi, Bennett:

Thanks for taking my call earlier. Please let me know if the EPA regulates pesticide use on tobacco.

Thanks,  
Cassie Shirk