

SOUTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO ADOPT, AMEND, AND REPEAL RULES

A public hearing will be held at the Mathews Training Center, Foss Building, 523 East Capitol, Pierre, SD 57501 on July 26th at 1:00 p.m. CDT to consider the proposed rules §§ 12:51:10:01 to 12:51:10:08, inclusive, and amended rule 12:51:09:05.

The proposed rule would establish emerald ash borer as a regulated insect and establishes restrictions on the movement of material that might further the spread of emerald ash borer. The emerald ash borer has caused significant damage and loss of ash trees where it is established within the United States. This pest has the potential to cause significant strain on local government budgets.

Persons interested in presenting data, opinions, and arguments for or against the proposed rules may do so by appearing in person at the hearing or by sending them to the South Dakota Department of Agriculture, Division of Agricultural Services, 523 East Capitol Avenue, Foss Building, Pierre, South Dakota 57501. Material sent by mail must reach the Department of Agriculture by July 26, 2018 to be considered.

After the hearing, the Secretary will consider all written and oral comments he receives on the proposed rules. The Secretary may modify or amend a proposed rule at that time to include or exclude matters that are described in this notice.

Notice is further given to individuals with disabilities that this hearing is being held in a physically accessible place. Please notify the Department of Agriculture at least 48 hours before the public hearing if you have special needs for which special arrangements must be made. The telephone number for making special arrangements is 605.773.4432.

Copies of the proposed rules may be obtained without charge from the:

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