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To Whom it May Concern in Reference to DPR 23-003,

As an Operations Manager of a farming company that deals with floriculture and food crops I would like to add my concerns to the conversation. As a reference I am and have been a supporter of reasonable government regulation for the protection of the environment and public. Recently there have been many new compliance tasks added to the farmer or farming organization which has disproportionately affected small farms. Please consider the following questions in your discussions:

1. How will these changes affect a small individual farm? How will these changes affect a corporate farm? Can you make these changes proportionate as to not discourage small farmers in CA?
2. How do we implement these new requirements efficiently so that they can be completed with little additional disruption to the end user? Simple UI, fast website, email reminders etc. This will make the program less costly to DPR in the long run. (Website speed is a problem for school notifications currently).
3. Does the ag commissioner office have the resources to handle the added public inquiries that this will generate? Who is funding these resources? Can they deal with the inquiries in a fast and efficient manner that won't delay pesticide applications and incur financial burden on the farmer?

Thank you,

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