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Director Julie Henderson,

Dear DPR Director Julie Henderson,

As a health professional, we need the most information we can garner when treating patients with illnesses possibly caused by pesticides. People travel to work, to school, to church so the mile radius is meaningful only if they stay within one mile of their home. You collect the data anyway, make it available so health care providers know what they are examining! I strongly support the effort to provide Californians with advance notice of hazardous pesticide use. I urge you to make sure the new regulation is as effective as possible to ensure that impacted residents can protect themselves from harm. To truly be effective, the system must include the exact location of planned pesticide applications.

Scientific research confirms that the public is in greater risk of harm the closer they are to a pesticide application. An application next to one's house is of even greater concern than an application a mile away and would require more precautions. Sincerely,

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