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Dear Director Julie Henderson,

I am writing to you today as a community member to ask you to strengthen the draft regulation for a statewide pesticide notification system to include the exact location of planned pesticide applications, and a process for ensuring that the regulation will be revised in response to community feedback.

I fully support DPR's precedent-setting proposal to provide Californians with the basic right to know about planned use of toxic chemicals in our neighborhoods, but there is still more work to do. I urge DPR to include the exact location of applications of restricted material pesticides, and to commit to establishing and convening an annual community advisory panel, composed of impacted community members tasked with making enforceable recommendations for improvements to the program.

Thank you for taking this step toward transparency in agriculture.

Sincerely,

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