

National Organic Standards Board Meeting Agenda: Spring 2020 Virtual

Schedule at a Glance:

	TUESDAY, APRIL 21 and THURSDAY, APRIL 23	WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29	THURSDAY, APRIL 30
MORNING		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Call to Order - Agenda Overview - Introductions - Secretary's report - NOSB report - USDA/AMS/NOP update 	- Handling Subcommittee
AFTERNOON	- Public comment webinars	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Compliance, Accreditation, & Certification Subcommittee - Materials Subcommittee - Crops Subcommittee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Livestock Subcommittee - Work agendas/Materials update - Other business/Closing remarks

Virtual Meeting Format

- NOTE: Members of the public will be able to see informational slides and hear the board members' live discussion. Video will not be used in order to maximize accessibility and minimize potential bandwidth issues for board members and the public.
- Please be aware that the meeting may run ahead or behind schedule.
- The Designated Federal Officer calls the meeting to order and adjourns the meeting.
- The NOSB Chair presides over the meeting.
- NOSB members present Subcommittee proposals, reports, and discussion documents, and discuss public comment, prior to voting on proposals. Final votes may be deferred to the end of the meeting if more deliberation is needed. NOTE: Agenda items may be withdrawn, or votes postponed at the discretion of the Board.

Public Comments (Written and Oral)

- Written Comments: All written comments may be viewed at [Regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov).
- Oral Comments: There are two (2) oral comment webinars scheduled for April 21 and 23, 2020. The 30-day sign-up period for oral comments has now closed.
- The public is welcome to listen to the comment webinars. Please see the [NOSB meeting webpage](#) for login instructions for each session
- Each person registered to make public comments is allocated 3-minutes, as in past years, to allow as many speakers as possible. Each commenter must state their name and affiliation for the record at the beginning of their comment.

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TUESDAY & THURSDAY, APRIL 21 & 23, 2020

NOON - 5:00 PM EASTERN TIME	<p>Two Public comment webinars</p> <p>Please see the NOSB meeting webpage for login instructions for each webinar session</p>
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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29, 2020 Please see the [NOSB meeting webpage](#) for login instructions for Wednesday

11:00 AM EASTERN TIME	<p>Call to Order, Agenda Overview, Introductions NOSB Members and NOP Deputy Administrator</p> <p>Secretary's report Jesse Buie, Secretary</p> <p>NOSB report Steve Ela, NOSB Chairperson</p>
11:45 AM	USDA, Agricultural Marketing Service, National Organic Program Update
12:30 PM	Compliance, Accreditation, & Certification Subcommittee Update Scott Rice, Chairperson
12:35 PM	<p>Materials Subcommittee Dave Mortensen, Chairperson</p> <p>Topics: Discussion document: Research Priorities 2020</p> <p>Subcommittee discusses proposals and documents as needed</p>
1:00 PM	Lunch (60 minutes) Offline
RECONVENE 2:00 PM	<p>Crops Subcommittee Jesse Buie, Chairperson</p> <p>Topics: Proposal: Paper (Plant pots and other crop production aids) - petitioned Discussion Document: Wild, native fish for liquid fish products Discussion Document: Biodegradable biobased mulch annotation change 2022 Sunset substances review: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Soap-based algicide/demossers Ammonium carbonate Soaps, insecticidal Vitamin D3 Aquatic plant extracts Lignin sulfonate Sodium silicate EPA List 4 - Inerts of minimal concern Arsenic Strychnine </p> <p>Subcommittee discusses proposals and documents as needed Board votes if ready</p>
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THURSDAY, APRIL 30, 2020 Please see the [NOSB meeting webpage](#) for login instructions for Thursday

<p>RECONVENE 11:00 AM EASTERN TIME</p>	<p>Handling Subcommittee Asa Bradman, Chairperson</p> <p>Topics: Discussion Document: L-Malic acid reclassification Discussion Document: Ion exchange filtration Discussion Document: Fish oil annotation 2022 sunset substances review: Kaolin Sodium bicarbonate Waxes - nonsynthetic (Wood resin) Ammonium bicarbonate Ammonium carbonate Calcium phosphates (monobasic, dibasic, and tribasic) Ozone Sodium hydroxide Carnauba wax Colors (18) Glycerin (CAS # 56-81-5) Inulin-oligofructose enriched (CAS # 9005-80-5) Kelp Orange shellac-unbleached (CAS # 9000-59-3) Starches: Cornstarch (native) Starches: Sweet potato starch Turkish bay leaves Whey protein concentrate</p> <p>Subcommittee discusses proposals and documents as needed</p>
<p>1:00 PM</p>	<p>Lunch (60 minutes) Offline</p>
<p>2:00 PM</p>	<p>Livestock Subcommittee Sue Baird, Chairperson</p> <p>Topics: Discussion document: Fenbendazole - petitioned 2022 Sunset substances review: Butorphanol Flunixin Magnesium hydroxide Poloxalene Formic acid EPA List 4 - Inerts of Minimal Concern Excipients Strychnine</p> <p>Subcommittee discusses documents as needed</p>
<p>3:00 PM</p>	<p>NOSB work agendas/Materials update</p>
<p>3:15 PM</p>	<p>Other business and closing remarks</p>
<p>3:30 PM</p>	<p>Adjourn</p>