



May 30, 2025

Honorable Tim Halman
Department of Environment and Climate Change
Barrington Tower, 1894 Barrington Street, Suite 1800
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Dear Hon. Tim Halman,

The Municipality of East Hants is looking to clarify information received from the province which states that Municipalities are notified when pesticides have been approved for use within their municipal boundaries. On review of the list of past approvals found on the provincial website, there were examples of approvals granted by the province in 2024 where the Municipality of East Hants was not directly notified.

As per Council motion C25(131), the Municipality is requesting to receive direct notification through the office the Chief Administrative Officer via email at info@easthants.ca.

The Municipality also requests that additional information be provided by the province on how wind shift risks are mitigated with respect to spray applications drifting outside of approved areas, and what notification processes are in place in that event, including the potential adverse impacts to livestock, waterways, and the general population.

Support from the Province would be greatly appreciated and the Municipality looks forward to collaborating on this topic to find continued improvement.

Sincerely,

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Municipality of East Hants

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