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Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection
Ben Brancel, Secretary

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TO: Board of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection

FROM: Ben Brancel, Secretary
John Petty, Administrator, Agricultural Resource Management Division

SUBJECT: Wisconsin Pollinator Protection Plan Overview

PRESENTED BY: Mike Murray, Agrichemical Management Bureau and Liz Meils, Plant Industry Bureau

RECOMMENDATION: This is for informational purposes only. No Board action is required.

SUMMARY / BACKGROUND:

Division staff will provide a brief overview of the Wisconsin Pollinator Protection Plan: why the plan is being developed, who is involved and the process used in its development. We will provide an outline of the plan and anticipated steps for its completion.

The Pollinator Protection Plan is being developed in conjunction with and will potentially benefit and impact a wide range of agricultural stakeholders across Wisconsin, including beekeepers, fruit growers, private and commercial pesticide applicators, field and commodity crop farmers, commercial flower growers, tree nursery growers, landscape maintenance companies, conservation groups and others. The plan is expected to be completed by early 2016.

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