DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND MEASUREMENT STANDARDS



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Dear Beekeeper,

The California Food and Agricultural Code (FAC) requires every person who owns, operates, or is in possession of an apiary, located within the state, to register the number of colonies and location of each apiary by January 30th of each new year. If you own, operate or are in possession of an apiary located within Kern County, you must complete and return the enclosed registration form, along with the \$10.00 fee to:

Department of Agriculture and Measurement Standards 1001 South Mount Vernon Avenue Bakersfield, CA 93307

The fee can be paid with cash, check or money order. We are sorry, but WE ARE NOT ABLE TO ACCEPT CREDIT/DEBIT CARDS for payment of registration fees.

If you wish to be notified before an application of pesticides that are toxic to bees and will be within one mile of your apiary, you may complete the Request for Pesticide Notification portion of the enclosed form. Also as a reminder, pursuant to FAC 29046, each apiary must be identified with the responsible party's contact information on a sign posted at the location of the hives or stenciled clearly on the hives themselves.

If you have any questions, please contact Monica Haskell at (661) 868-6300.

Sincerely,

Rick White Agricultural Biologist IV

Enclosure