

Legal Notice

State Plant Board Quarterly Meeting and Public Hearings

The Arkansas State Plant Board will meet at 1:30 p.m., March 9, 2011 at the State Plant Board offices, #1 Natural Resources, Drive, Little Rock, AR.

1. **Public Hearing.** This public hearing will be for the purpose of considering changes to the Regulations on Plant Diseases and Pests contained in Plant Board Circular 11.

The hearing will be to consider changes to the Regulations for purposes of establishing a phytosanitary inspection fee of up to \$100 for commercial shipments that are valued in excess of \$1250 and to establish a quarantine against Thousand Canker Disease of Walnut.

Comments may be mailed to: Plant Industry Hearing, Arkansas State Plant Board, P.O. Box 1069, Little Rock, AR 72203. Mailed comments will be accepted until the close of business on Friday, March 4, 2011. Comments may be sent electronically to: terry.walker@aspb.ar.gov. Anyone wishing to make comments in person may attend the hearing and they will be afforded the opportunity to present those comments.

The proposed rule changes may be viewed on the Plant Board web page at: www.plantboard.arkansas.gov on the home page under "Proposed Thousand Canker Disease Quarantine/Inspection Fee Rule."

2. **Public Hearing.** This public hearing will be for the purpose of considering changes to the Plant Board's Container and Containment Rules. The Plant Board's regulations must match the federal regulations. The proposed changes will extend compliance dates, introduce needed definitions of terms and provide clarification to the rule so the State's rule will match the federal rule.

Written comments may be submitted to the Plant Board until March 4, 2011. Please submit all comments to Arkansas State Plant Board, P.O. Box 1069, Little Rock, AR 72203-1069, Attn: Micheal Thompson. Anyone wishing to make comments in person may attend the hearing and they will be afforded the opportunity to present those comments.

The proposed rule changes may be viewed on the Plant Board web page at: www.plantboard.arkansas.gov on the home page under "Proposed Container and Containment Rule Change."

2. Approval of Board meeting minutes
3. Approval of pest control exam grades
4. Standing Committee Reports

5. Other business

Board meetings are open to the public. For further information concerning the meeting, contact Darryl Little, Director, at 501-225-1598.

Darryl Little, Director