

## **Pollinator Working Group Meeting**

**Date:** Thursday March 2, 2017

**Time:** 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

**Location:** NRCS Conference Room  
60 Quaker Lane, Warwick, RI

### **AGENDA**

**4:00 p.m. - 4:05 p.m.:** Call to Order, Welcome and Introductions

**4:05 p.m. - 4:10 p.m.:** Update on Working Group Business

- Briefing to Senate Committee on Environment and Agriculture: March 8, 2017 at the rise (approximately 4:15 PM)
- Briefing to House (in prep)
- March 11, 2017, workshop at Land & Water Conservation Summit

**4:10 p.m. – 5:10 p.m.:** Divide into 2 groups. Allow members and audience to self-select groups.

Group 1 – Pollinators/Pollinator Habitat & Public Education

Group 2 – Pesticide Stewardship and Best Management Practices & Public Education

Charge to group:

(10 minutes) Review and comment on recommendations in initial report

(30 minutes) What are the 2 - 3 priority recommendations? Why?

(20 minutes) What are next steps for moving forward with these priority recommendations? What should be highlighted to Senate and House committees? What should the Pollinator Working Group consider for next steps?

**5:10 p.m. - 6:10 p.m.:** Report back and discuss recommendations (30 minutes each group)

**6:10 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.:** Review, discuss and finalize talking points for presentations to the Senate and House and to the Land & Water Summit

**6:30 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.:** Discuss future of Working Group

**6:45 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.:** Public Comment

**7:00 p.m.:** Adjourn Meeting

Please contact Shannon Brawley, RI Nursery and Landscape Association) 874-5220 or Ken Ayars, Division of Agriculture (222-2781 ext. 4500 or 640-4497, cell), or if you have questions or need additional information

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