

## National Organic Standards Board Meeting DRAFT Agenda

Westin Crystal City | 1800 Richmond Highway | Arlington, Virginia 22202 Jefferson Ballroom  
April 29 - May 1, 2020

### Schedule at a Glance:

	TUE APR 21 & THU 23	WEDNESDAY APR 29	THURSDAY APR 30	FRIDAY MAY 1
MORNING		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Call to Order</li> <li>- Agenda Overview</li> <li>- Intros</li> <li>- Secretary's report</li> <li>- NOSB report</li> <li>- USDA/AMS/NOP update</li> <li>- Panel - Sanitizers</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Group photo</li> <li>- Public comments continued</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Handling Subcommittee</li> <li>- Livestock Subcommittee</li> </ul>
AFTERNOON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Public comment webinar(s)</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;">1 - 4pm ET</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Public comments</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Materials Subcommittee</li> <li>- Crops Subcommittee</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Deferred proposals/ Final votes</li> <li>- Work agendas/ Materials' update</li> <li>- Presentation of plaques to new members</li> <li>- Other business/Closing remarks</li> </ul>

### Face-to-Face Meeting Format

- The Designated Federal Officer calls the meeting to order and adjourns the meeting. The NOSB Chair presides over the meeting.
- The USDA and National Organic Program (NOP) provide the NOSB with updates.
- The NOSB hosts an expert panel (as applicable)
- The Board hears public comments.
- NOSB members present Subcommittee proposals, reports, and discussion documents, and discuss public comment, prior to voting on proposals. Final votes may be deferred to the last day of the meeting if more deliberation is needed. NOTE: Agenda items may be withdrawn, or votes postponed at the discretion of the Board.
- There will be two 15-minute breaks (mid-morning & mid-afternoon) and a 90-minute lunch break mid-day. Recess and adjournment times may vary based on completion of business.

### Public Comments (Written and Oral)

- All persons are encouraged to provide written comments via [Regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov).
- All persons wishing to provide oral comments are asked to sign up in advance. Instructions are available at <https://www.ams.usda.gov/event/national-organic-standards-board-nosb-meeting-crystal-city-va> There are two (2) opportunities to provide oral comments to the Board: During webinar(s) on April 21 and 23, 2020, and during the in-person meeting. Walk-in comment slots may become available on a first come-first served basis at the in-person meeting, if the schedule allows.
- Each person may sign up for only one speaking slot. Commenters will be allowed a 3-minute time slot during either the webinar or at the in-person meeting. Each commenter must state his/her name and affiliation for the record at the beginning of their comment.

<b>TUE/THU APR 21 &amp; 23</b>	<b>1:00 - 4:00 PM ET</b>	<p><b>Public comment webinar(s)</b></p> <p>Please see the <a href="#">NOSB meeting webpage</a> for ZOOM login information and instructions</p>
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<b>WEDNESDAY APRIL 29, 2020</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<p><b>Call to Order, Agenda Overview, Introductions</b> Dr. Jennifer Tucker, NOP Deputy Administrator and NOSB members</p> <p><b>Secretary’s report (acceptance of Fall 2019 meeting summary as official record)</b> Jesse Buie, Secretary</p> <p><b>NOSB report</b> Steve Ela, NOSB Chairperson</p>
	<b>9:30 AM</b>	<b>USDA, Agricultural Marketing Service, National Organic Program Update</b>
	<b>11:00 AM</b>	<b>BREAK</b>
	<b>11:15 AM – 1:15 PM</b>	<p><b>Panel: Sanitizers (Assessing sanitizers that have direct contact with crops, soil, livestock, and processed foods used in Organic crop, livestock, and handling)</b></p> <p>Dr. Angela Anandappa (Alliance for Advanced Sanitation) Mr. Bob Durst, (Oregon State University) Dr. Joe Morelli (Ecolab)</p>
	<b>1:15 PM</b>	<b>LUNCH (1h30m)</b>
	<b>2:45 PM - 6:00 PM</b>	<p><b>Public comments</b></p> <p><b>~PM BREAK</b></p>
	<b>6:00 PM</b>	<b>RECESS</b>

**THURSDAY APRIL 30, 2020**

8:45 AM	<b>NOSB GROUP PHOTO</b>
9:00 AM – 3:30 PM	<b>Public comments continued</b>
	~10:15 AM BREAK
	~12:15 PM - 1:45 PM LUNCH (1h30m)
3:30 PM	<p><b>Materials Subcommittee (MS)</b> Dave Mortensen, Chairperson</p> <p><b>Topics:</b> Discussion document: Research Priorities 2020</p> <p>Subcommittee discusses proposals and documents as needed</p>
4:00 PM	<b>BREAK</b>
4:15 PM	<p><b>Crops Subcommittee (CS)</b> Jesse Buie, Chairperson</p> <p><b>Topics:</b> Proposal: Paper (Plant pots and other crop production aids) - petitioned Discussion Document: Wild, native fish for liquid fish products Discussion Document: Biodegradable biobased mulch annotation change 2021 Sunset substances review: Soap-based algicide/demossers Ammonium carbonate Soaps, insecticidal Vitamin D3. As rodenticides Aquatic plant extracts (other than hydrolyzed) Lignin sulfonate - chelating agent, dust suppressant Sodium silicate (As floating agents in postharvest handling) EPA List 4 - Inerts of minimal concern Arsenic Strychnine</p> <p>Subcommittee discusses proposals and documents as needed Board votes if ready</p>
6:00 PM	<b>RECESS</b>

**FRIDAY MAY 1, 2020**

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Handling Subcommittee (HS)</b> <b>Asa Bradman, Chairperson</b>  <b>Topics:</b> Discussion Document: L-Malic acid - petitioned Discussion Document: Ion exchange filtration Discussion Document: Fish oil annotation 2021 sunset substances review: Kaolin Sodium bicarbonate Waxes - nonsynthetic (Wood resin) Ammonium bicarbonate - for use only as a leavening agent Ammonium carbonate - for use only as a leavening agent Calcium phosphates (monobasic, dibasic, and tribasic) Ozone Sodium hydroxide - prohibited for use in lye peeling of fruits and vegetables Carnauba wax Colors (18) Glycerin (CAS # 56-81-5) Inulin-oligofructose enriched (CAS # 9005-80-5) Kelp - for use only as a thickener and dietary supplement Orange shellac-unbleached (CAS # 9000-59-3) Starches: Cornstarch (native) Starches: Sweet potato starch - for bean thread production only Turkish bay leaves Whey protein concentrate  Subcommittee discusses proposals and documents as needed
<b>11:00 AM</b>	<b>BREAK</b>
<b>11:15 AM</b>	<b>Livestock Subcommittee (LS)</b> <b>Sue Baird, Chairperson</b>  <b>Topics:</b> Discussion document: Fenbendazole - petitioned 2021 Sunset substances review: Butorphanol Flunixin Magnesium hydroxide Poloxalene Formic acid EPA List 4 - Inerts of Minimal Concern Excipients Strychnine  Subcommittee discusses documents as needed
<b>12:15 AM</b>	<b>Deferred proposals/Final votes</b>
<b>12:15 PM</b>	<b>NOSB work agendas/Materials update</b>

	<b>12:30 AM</b>	<b>Presentation of plaques to new members</b>
	<b>12:45 PM</b>	<b>Other business and closing remarks</b>
	<b>1:00 PM</b>	<b>ADJOURN</b>

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