

**National Organic Standards Board Meeting Agenda**  
**January 13 & 14, 2026 (Virtual)**  
**11:00 AM - 5:00 PM Eastern**

**Schedule at a Glance:**

	<b>TUESDAY JANUARY 13</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY JANUARY 14</b>
<b>MORNING</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Call to Order/Welcome</li> <li>- NOP Introductions</li> <li>- Agenda Overview</li> <li>- NOSB Introductions</li> <li>- Secretary's Report</li> <li>- NOSB Report</li> <li>- USDA/AMS/National Organic Program Update</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Livestock Subcommittee (LS)</li> </ul>
<b>AFTERNOON</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Crops Subcommittee (CS)</li> <li>- Handling Subcommittee (HS)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Compliance, Accreditation, &amp; Certification Subcommittee (CACS)</li> <li>- Materials Subcommittee (MS)</li> <li>- Work Agendas/Materials Update</li> <li>- Officer Elections</li> <li>- Recognition of Outgoing Members</li> <li>- Closing Remarks</li> </ul>

**Meeting Format**

- NOTE: The meeting will be broadcast live via Zoom. All times Eastern.
- The meeting may run ahead or behind schedule. Breaks, recess, and adjournment times may vary based on completion of business.
- The National Organic Program (NOP) Designated Federal Officer calls the meeting to order and adjourns the meeting. The NOSB Chair presides over the meeting.
- NOSB members present Subcommittee proposals, reports, and discussion documents, and discuss public comment prior to voting on proposals. NOTE: Agenda items may be withdrawn, or votes postponed at the discretion of the Board.

**How to Participate: Written Public Comments**

- Written comments can be submitted to [Regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov) through December 30, 2025. If you submitted comments previously (for the November meeting that was cancelled), you do not need to submit them again.
- Due to the cancellation of the November meeting and rescheduling to January 2026, the NOSB will not hear oral comments.

**DAY 1: TUESDAY, JANUARY 13, 2026**

<b>TIME (Eastern)</b>	<b>AGENDA ITEM</b>
<b>11:00 AM</b>	<p><a href="#">Board Meeting (Zoom for virtual attendees)</a> Same link both days. Meeting ID: 160 994 6520 If you need to join by phone: +1 669 254 5252 US (San Jose) +1 646 828 7666 US (New York) +1 646 964 1167 US (US Spanish Line)</p> <p><b>Call to Order, Welcome, NOP Introductions</b> Dr. Jennifer Tucker, NOP Deputy Administrator <b>Agenda Overview, NOSB Introductions</b> Amy Bruch, NOSB Chair <b>Secretary's report (acceptance of Spring 2025 meeting summary as official record)</b> Nate Lewis, NOSB Secretary <b>NOSB report</b> Amy Bruch, NOSB Chair; Allison Johnson, NOSB Vice Chair</p>
<b>11:30 AM</b>	<p><b>USDA/AMS/National Organic Program Update, and NOP - NOSB Q&amp;A</b> Dr. Jennifer Tucker, NOP Deputy Administrator</p>
<b>12:30 PM</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>12:40 PM</b>	<p><b>Crops Subcommittee (CS)</b> - Logan Petrey Linkenhoger, Chair</p> <p><b>Topics:</b> Proposal: Synthetic Compostable Polymers 2027 Crops Sunset Reviews: Potassium hypochlorite Soap-based algicide/demosers Ammonium carbonate Soaps, insecticidal Sucrose octanoate esters Vitamin D<sub>3</sub> Aquatic plant extracts Lignin sulfonate Fatty alcohols (C<sub>6</sub>, C<sub>8</sub>, C<sub>10</sub>, and/or C<sub>12</sub>) Sodium silicate EPA List 4 Inerts Paper based crop planting aids Arsenic Strychnine</p>
<b>2:10 PM</b>	<b>Lunch (30m)</b>

TIME (Eastern)	AGENDA ITEM
2:40 PM	<b>Handling Subcommittee (HS) - Allison Johnson, Chair</b>  <b>Topics:</b> Proposal: L-Malic Acid reclassification 2027 Handling Sunset Reviews: Kaolin Sodium bicarbonate Waxes-nonsynthetic (wood rosin) Ammonium bicarbonate Ammonium carbonate Calcium phosphates (monobasic, dibasic, and tribasic) Low-acyl gellan gum Ozone Sodium hydroxide Carnauba wax Colors: Beet juice extract color, Beta-carotene extract color, Black/purple carrot juice color, Chokeberry, aronia juice color, Elderberry juice color, Grape skin extract color, Purple sweet potato juice color, Red cabbage extract color, Red radish extract color, Saffron extract color Cornstarch (native) Glycerin Inulin-oligofructose enriched Orange shellac
4:00 PM	<b>Break</b>
4:10 PM	<b>Handling Subcommittee (HS) - Continued</b>
5:00 PM	<b>Recess</b>

**DAY 2: WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2026**

<b>TIME(Eastern)</b>	<b>AGENDA ITEM</b>
<b>11:00 AM</b>	<b>Livestock Subcommittee (LS)</b> - Brian Caldwell, Chair  <b>Topics:</b> Proposal: Oxytocin annotation change 2027 Livestock Sunset Reviews: Butorphanol Flunixin Magnesium hydroxide Oxytocin Poloxalene Formic acid Sucrose octanoate esters EPA List 4 Inerts Excipients Strychnine
<b>12:15 PM</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>12:25 PM</b>	<b>Compliance, Accreditation, &amp; Certification Subcommittee (CACS)</b> - Kyla Smith, Chair  <b>Topics:</b> Proposal: Risk-based Certification Proposal: Residue Testing for a Global Supply Chain: Regulation Rvw § 205.671 Discussion Document: Residue Testing for a Global Supply Chain: Regulation Review (§205.670 and UREC definition)
<b>2:00 PM</b>	<b>Lunch (30m)</b>
<b>2:30 PM</b>	<b>Materials Subcommittee (MS)</b> - Dr. Franklin Quarcoo, Chair  <b>Topics:</b> Discussion Document: Induced Mutagenesis
<b>~3:00 PM</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>3:10 PM</b>	<b>NOSB work agendas/Materials update</b> <b>NOSB Officer Elections</b> <b>Recognition of Outgoing Members</b> Amy Bruch, Brian Caldwell, Dr. Carolyn Dimitri, Logan Petrey Linkenhoger, Kyla Smith <b>Other business and closing remarks</b>
<b>4:30 PM</b>	<b>Adjourn</b>