



# Maryland Managed Pollinator Protection Plan Summit

Wednesday, January 20, 2016  
9 a.m.–4 p.m.

Adele H. Stamp Student Union  
The Atrium (Room 1107)  
University of Maryland  
3972 Campus Drive  
College Park, MD 20742

## Purpose

The President has directed the Environmental Protection Agency to engage state agencies in developing Managed Pollinator Protection Plans (MP3s) to mitigate risk to honey bees and other managed pollinators. The purpose of the Maryland MP3 Summit is to enable state agencies and key stakeholders to discuss and identify significant opportunities to promote managed pollinator health, particularly as it relates to sustainable food production. The Summit will establish a framework for open communication and collaboration as Maryland develops and implements its MP3.

## Draft Agenda

*All times are approximate.*

- 9:00 a.m. Welcome and Introductions
- Purpose and objectives of the statewide summit – *Ashley Jones or Carol Holko, Maryland Department of Agriculture*
  - Agenda review and key meeting protocols – *Julie Shapiro, Keystone Policy Center*
  - Participant introductions
- 9:30 a.m. Context for the Development of a Managed Pollinator Protection Plan: Presentations and Q&A
- EPA guidance, the Maryland MP3 Process, and other state activities – *Ashley Jones, Maryland Department of Agriculture*
  - Drivers of pollinator health decline – *Dennis van Engelsdorp, University of Maryland*
  - The relationship between managed pollinators and native pollinators: How an MP3 can benefit biodiversity – *Sam Droege, U.S. Geological Survey Patuxent Wildlife Research Center*

- 11:00 a.m. Introduction to breakout discussions
- Overview of breakout topics and instructions – *Julie Shapiro, Keystone Policy Center*

*During the first three breakout sessions, participants at each table will rotate through discussion of three topics representing major drivers of pollinator health: Crop pest control; forage and nutrition; and pollinator pests, disease, and genetics. For each topic, tables will discuss the following questions: What are your concerns? What solutions do you suggest? What barriers and opportunities do you see to implementing solutions? During the fourth and final session, participants will brainstorm concerns, solutions, barriers, and/or opportunities regarding any other topics not discussed in the three pre-assigned categories.*

- 11:30 a.m. Breakout Session 1
- 12:15 p.m. Breakout Session 2 (longer session to allow time for lunch)
- 1:15 p.m. Breakout Session 3
- 2:00 p.m. Breakout Session 4
- 2:15 p.m. Break
- 2:30 p.m. Plenary Report Outs – *Topic Facilitators and Participants*
- 3:00 p.m. Polling Session  
*Q&A/Discussion to follow*
- 3:45 p.m. Next Steps – *Maryland Department of Agriculture*
- 4:00 p.m. Adjourn

## Ground Rules for Participants

1. Respect time commitments in the agenda; maintain focus on the issues and objectives.
2. Participate actively and in good faith; take ownership in and be open to the outcomes.
3. Participate in a manner that promotes joint problem solving and collaboration.
4. Be respectful of differing points of view: assume good intentions and do not engage in personal attacks.
5. Be considerate of the need to incorporate multiple and differing perspectives into the Maryland MP3.
6. Be mindful of the presence of multiple backgrounds; watch the use of acronyms from your field.
7. Be fair, speak briefly, and allow everyone to participate.
8. Be respectful regarding use of smart phones and other technologies.
9. Do not make personal attributions of discussion comments outside of the meetings.
10. Let the facilitators facilitate.