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URGENT ALERT!!! PUBLIC COMMENT Needed by OCTOBER 5, 2015

Sacramento, California

September 4, 2015: CA Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA), State Agency which administers **Proposition 65* (Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986)**, announced that it will publish a notice of intent to list **glyphosate, malathion, and two other chemicals** on the State's Proposition 65 list. This notice of intent starts a **30 day public comment period until October 5, 2015, before a final determination is made.**

This is in response to the April 2015 request by the CSG (formerly California State Grange) and the Sacramento Community Grange, jointly submitted with the Environmental Working Group, to the California OEHHA, (part of the Cal/EPA, California Environmental Protection Agency), to the list **glyphosate (RoundUp)** as a **Proposition 65**, carcinogen. **Glyphosate**, both herbicide and antibiotic, is one of the most commonly used herbicides in the world, most closely associated with GMO (genetically modified organism) crops engineered to possess traits making them resistant to this herbicide, allowing more to be applied without danger to the life of the plant.

A March 20, 2015 finding by the IARC of the WHO (World Health Organization) confirms glyphosate is a probable carcinogen to humans.

See: <http://www.iarc.fr/en/media-centre/iarcnews/pdf/MonographVolume112.pdf>

TO COMMENT on this law change and demand that OEHHA classify GLYPHOSATE as a carcinogen:

**Written comments must be received by
5:00 p.m., Monday, October 5, 2015, to be considered.**

- 1) We encourage you to submit comments in electronic form, rather than in paper form.
- 2) Comments transmitted by e-mail should be addressed to P65Public.comments@oehha.ca.gov
- 3) Please include "NOIL" and the GLYPHOSATE in the subject line.
- 4) Comments received during the public comment period will be posted on the OEHHA web site after the close of the comment period.
- 5) Comments submitted in paper form may be mailed, faxed, or delivered in person to the address below.

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***What is Proposition 65?**

Proposition 65 requires the State to publish a [list of chemicals](#) known to cause cancer or birth defects or other reproductive harm. This list, which must be updated at least once a year, has grown to include approximately 800 chemicals since it was first published in 1987. Proposition 65 requires businesses to notify Californians about significant amounts of chemicals in the products they purchase, in their homes or workplaces, or that are released into the environment.

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