



CDFA Hosts Scoping Session for New Program to Increase Outreach to Commercial Feed Formulators and Nutritionists

Please attend an upcoming 30-minute free session to learn about a new program and provide valuable stakeholder feedback.

California Department of Food Agriculture's (CDFA) Safe Animal Feed Education Program (SAFE) is launching an educational pilot program: the Safe Animal Feed Formulation Educational Registry (SAFFER). This will be a voluntary and free program available to individual formulators of commercial livestock feed which is distributed and fed in the state of California.

Please join us to learn about the program's goals and provide us with your feedback.

When: Wednesday, May 6, 2026, 11:30 am

Join via Zoom: If you can't attend in-person, please register in advance to attend this scoping session via Zoom: https://www.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/Fx4sGNzJS5S9DMj8_rj0ag

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

**Where (in person): *Prior to the California Animal Nutrition Conference*
Embassy Suites by Hilton Monterey Bay Seaside
1441 Canyon Del Rey, Seaside, California**

More about SAFFER

This pilot program is being developed based on the recommendations of the Feed Inspection Advisory Board (FIAB) Nutritionist Ad Hoc Committee. SAFE is funded by a portion of the California feed industry's inspection tonnage tax dedicated to research and education regarding the safe manufacture, distribution, and use of commercial feed. SAFE provides educational resources under advice of the FIAB, which is comprised of nine members of the feed industry. The FIAB has recognized a need to increase awareness of feed laws and regulations among custom formulators (nutritionists, consultants), as they are vital to ensuring animal health, food safety, and safe use of commercial feed within California's production animal agriculture systems.

SAFFER has two goals:

1. Develop and deliver focused educational materials regarding feed and food safety laws and regulations that are specifically applicable to formulators and nutritionists.
2. Foster connection between formulators/nutritionists and SAFE as a resource for questions and a trusted source for relevant updates, such as feed industry notices and changes to laws and regulations.

We look forward to your attendance at the scoping session! Email safe@cdfa.ca.gov with questions.