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Each application summary in Unit II. specifies a contact division. The appropriate division contact is identified as follow:

- RD (Registration Division) (Mail Code 7505T); Charles Smith; main telephone number: (202) 566-1030; email address: RDfRNNotices@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**I. Executive Summary***A. Does this action apply to me?*

This action provides information that is directed to the public in general.

B. What is the Agency's authority for taking this action?

EPA is taking this action pursuant to section 3(c)(4) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), 7 U.S.C. 136a(c)(4), and 40 CFR 152.102.

C. What action is the Agency taking?

EPA is hereby providing notice of receipt and opportunity to comment on applications to register pesticide products containing active ingredients not included in any currently registered pesticide products. Notice of receipt of these applications does not imply a decision by the Agency on these applications. The applications identified in this document were received since the last notice that was issued and are currently being evaluated by EPA in accordance with the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA). For actions being evaluated under EPA's public participation process for registration actions, there will be an additional opportunity for public comment on the proposed decisions. Please see EPA's public participation website for additional information on this process (<https://www.epa.gov/registration/participation-process-registration-actions>).

D. What should I consider as I prepare my comments for EPA?

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2. *Tips for preparing your comments.* When preparing and submitting your comments, see the commenting tips at <https://www.epa.gov/commenting-epa-dockets>.

II. Registration Applications Received

This unit provides the following information about the applications received: The EPA File Symbol or Registration number(s); EPA docket ID number for the application; Name and address of the applicant; Name of the active ingredient, product type and proposed uses; and the division to contact for that application. Additional information about the application may also be available in the docket for the application as identified in this unit.

- *File Symbol:* 264-RELE. *Docket ID number:* EPA-HQ-OPP-2025-2269. *Applicant:* Bayer CropScience, 800 N Lindbergh Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63167. *Product name:* Icafolin-methyl Technical. *Active ingredient:* Herbicide—icafolin-methyl at 96%. *Proposed use:* For formulation into end-use herbicides for use on canola, cereals, citrus, field corn, grapes, pome fruit, popcorn, pulses, soybean, stone fruit and tree nuts. *Date of receipt:* June 27, 2025. *Contact:* RD.

- *File Symbol:* 264-RELN. *Docket ID number:* EPA-HQ-OPP-2025-2269. *Applicant:* Bayer CropScience, 800 N Lindbergh Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63167. *Product name:* USH679SC200. *Active ingredient:* Herbicide—icafolin-methyl at 18.70%. *Proposed uses:* Soybeans; field corn (grain and silage); cereals (wheat, barley, rye, triticale, quinoa, oats, canarygrass, buckwheat); canola, rapeseed, flax, camelina; bean (phaseolus spp.), dry seed; bean (vigna spp.), dry seed; broad bean (fava bean), dry seed (vicia faba subsp. faba var. faba); chickpea; lentil; pea (pisum spp., includes field pea); citrus (group 10-10); grape; pome fruit (group 11-10); stone fruit (group 12-12); and tree nuts (almond; cashew; chestnut; hazelnut (filbert); pecan; pistachio; walnut, black; and walnut, English). *Date of receipt:* June 27, 2025. *Contact:* RD.

- *File Symbol:* 264-RELR. *Docket ID number:* EPA-HQ-OPP-2025-2269. *Applicant:* Bayer CropScience, 800 N Lindbergh Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63167. *Product name:* USH679EC412. *Active ingredient:* Herbicide—icafolin-methyl at 1.09%, bromoxynil heptanoate at 17.10% and bromoxynil octanoate at 17.68%. *Proposed uses:* Canola, rapeseed, flax, camelina; bean (phaseolus spp.), dry seed; bean (vigna spp.), dry seed; broad bean (fava bean), dry seed (vicia faba subsp. faba var. faba); chickpea; lentil; pea (pisum spp.,

includes field pea). *Date of receipt:* June 27, 2025. *Contact:* RD.

- *File Symbol:* 264-REUI. *Docket ID number:* EPA-HQ-OPP-2025-2269. *Applicant:* Bayer CropScience, 800 N Lindbergh Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63167. *Product name:* USH679SC450. *Active ingredient:* Herbicide—icafolin-methyl at 26.50% and indaziflam at 13.30%. *Proposed uses:* Citrus (group 10-10), grape, pome fruit (group 11-10), stone fruit (group 12-12) and tree nuts (almond; cashew; chestnut; hazelnut (filbert); pecan; pistachio; walnut, black; and walnut, English). *Date of receipt:* June 27, 2025. *Contact:* RD.

- *File Symbol:* 264-REUO. *Docket ID number:* EPA-HQ-OPP-2025-2269. *Applicant:* Bayer CropScience, 800 N Lindbergh Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63167. *Product name:* USH679SC470. *Active ingredient:* Herbicide—icafolin-methyl at 10.94% and flufenacet at 29.23%. *Proposed uses:* Soybean and field corn (grain and silage). *Date of receipt:* June 27, 2025. *Contact:* RD.

- *File Symbol:* 264-REUT. *Docket ID number:* EPA-HQ-OPP-2025-2269. *Applicant:* Bayer CropScience, 800 N Lindbergh Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63167. *Product name:* USH679EC427. *Active ingredient:* Herbicide—icafolin-methyl at 0.21%, bromoxynil heptanoate at 16.82%, bromoxynil octanoate at 17.38%, and pyrasulfotole at 2.14%. *Proposed use:* Cereals (wheat, barley, triticale). *Date of receipt:* June 27, 2025. *Contact:* RD.

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 136 *et seq.*

Dated: January 23, 2026.

Edward Messina,

Director, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OW-2025-3823; FRL 13191-01-OW]

Review of Science on Fluoride in Drinking Water: Preliminary Assessment Plan and Literature Survey

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: As the first step in developing the Fluoride Human Health Toxicity Assessment (toxicity assessment), the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is releasing the Fluoride Preliminary Assessment Plan and Literature Survey (Assessment Plan) for public comment to provide

transparency and gather early feedback. The objectives of the Assessment Plan are to describe the approach the EPA intends to follow to develop the fluoride toxicity assessment and present the results of the preliminary literature survey. The Assessment Plan is not a toxicity assessment; it does not contain conclusions regarding harmful human health effects of fluoride or determine the level of fluoride exposure at or above which is associated with harmful health effects. Such conclusions about fluoride human health effects will be released as part of the forthcoming draft human health toxicity assessment. The EPA's toxicity assessment will be used to inform future decisions about potential revisions to the existing fluoride drinking water standard under the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA). This notice outlines details on how to provide comments and describes the purpose of the Fluoride Preliminary Assessment Plan and Literature Survey.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before states February 27, 2026.

ADDRESSES: You may send comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OW-2025-3823, by any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <https://www.regulations.gov/> (our preferred method). Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.
- *Email:* ow-docket@epa.gov. Include Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OW-2025-3823 in the subject line of the message.
- *Mail:* U.S. Environmental

Protection Agency, EPA Docket Center, Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water Docket, Mail Code 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20460.

- *Hand Delivery or Courier:* EPA Docket Center, WJC West Building, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20004. The Docket Center's hours of operations are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday (except Federal Holidays).

Instructions: All submissions received must include the Docket ID No. for this rulemaking. Comments received may be posted without change to <https://www.regulations.gov/>, including any personal information provided. For detailed instructions on sending comments and additional information on the rulemaking process, see the "Public Participation" heading of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this document.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Susan Euling, Drinking Water Science and Engineering Division, Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water (Mail Code 4601M), Environmental Protection

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I. Public Participation

A. Written Comments

Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OW-2025-3823, at <https://www.regulations.gov> (our preferred method), or the other methods identified in the **ADDRESSES** section. Once submitted, comments cannot be edited or removed from the docket. The EPA may publish any comment received to its public docket. Do not submit to EPA's docket at <https://www.regulations.gov> any information you consider to be Confidential Business Information (CBI), Proprietary Business Information (PBI), or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Multimedia submissions (audio, video, etc.) must be accompanied by a written comment. The written comment is considered the official comment and should include discussion of all points you wish to make. The EPA will generally not consider comments or comment contents located outside of the primary submission (*i.e.*, on the web, cloud, or other file sharing system). Please visit <https://www.epa.gov/dockets/commenting-epa-dockets/> for additional submission methods; the full EPA public comment policy; information about CBI, PBI, or multimedia submissions; and general guidance on making effective comments.

II. General Information

A. Introduction to the Preliminary Assessment Plan and Literature Survey for the Fluoride Human Health Toxicity Assessment

The EPA is committed to ensuring clean and safe drinking water for all Americans with the goal of protecting human health, including children's health. In response to concerns about fluoride in drinking water, the EPA is developing a new human health toxicity assessment that will review scientific information on the potential health risks of fluoride in drinking water. The toxicity assessment will be based on a systematic review of the scientific

information on the potential health risks of fluoride in drinking water. The objective of the toxicity assessment is to determine the fluoride levels that a person can be exposed to and be unlikely to experience harmful health effects; these values are called toxicity values, specifically noncancer reference doses (RfDs).

The Preliminary Assessment Plan and Literature Survey (Assessment Plan) is the first step in developing the toxicity assessment. The objectives of the Assessment Plan are to describe the approach the EPA intends to follow to develop the human health toxicity assessment and present the results of the preliminary literature survey. The preliminary literature survey describes the results of conducting initial systematic review steps to identify relevant health effects studies, consistent with agency human health risk assessment guidance and Executive Order 14303 Restoring Gold Standard Science. A summary of the scoping and problem formulation conclusions is also presented in the Assessment Plan. As part of scoping and problem formulation, the EPA identified key science issues specific to fluoride exposure and health effects measurement that will be evaluated during toxicity assessment development.

The Assessment Plan is not a toxicity assessment; it does not contain conclusions regarding harmful human health effects of fluoride or determine the level of fluoride exposure at or above which is associated with harmful health effects. The EPA is releasing the Fluoride Preliminary Assessment Plan and Literature Survey for public comment to provide transparency and gather early feedback about the assessment scope and identified literature.

The EPA's fluoride toxicity assessment will evaluate human health hazards. The fluoride toxicity assessment, once final, can be used by EPA, states, Tribes, and local communities, along with specific exposure and other relevant information, to determine, under the appropriate regulations and statutes, the potential risk associated with human exposures to fluoride. Specifically, the EPA's toxicity assessment will be used to inform future decisions about potential revisions to the existing fluoride drinking water standard under the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA). The results of this toxicity assessment will also be used to inform Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommendations regarding fluoride in drinking water (<https://>

www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2025/09/The-MAHA-Strategy-WH.pdf).

B. Next Steps for the Fluoride Human Health Toxicity Assessment

The EPA is accepting public comments on this Assessment Plan for 30 days. The EPA will consider all public comments during the next step in the toxicity assessment process, which is the development of the Systematic Review Protocol (protocol). The protocol will present detailed methods for conducting subsequent steps of the systematic review. The EPA will then follow the protocol to develop a draft Fluoride Human Health Toxicity Assessment. The draft toxicity assessment will follow EPA human health risk assessment methods and guidance, summarize the health effects associated with exposure to fluoride during childhood, and identify the fluoride level at or below which a person can be exposed to and be unlikely to experience harmful health effects. The draft toxicity assessment will be released for external peer review and public comment. The EPA will consider the external peer review and public comments and revise the assessment as appropriate, before publishing a final Fluoride Human Health Toxicity Assessment.

Jessica L. Kramer,
Assistant Administrator.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OPP-2025-0026; FRL-12472-11-OCSP]

Pesticide Product Registration; Receipt of Applications for New Uses November 2025

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of receipt and request for comment.

SUMMARY: This document announces the Agency's receipt of and solicits comment on applications to register new pesticide products containing currently registered active ingredients that would entail a change in use pattern. The Agency is providing this notice in accordance with the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA). EPA uses the month and year in the title to identify when the Agency complied the applications identified in this notice of receipt. Unit

II. of this document identifies certain applications received in 12/4/2024 and 02/07/2025 that are currently being evaluated by EPA, along with information about each application, including when it was received, who submitted the application, and the purpose of the application.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before February 27, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by the docket identification (ID) number and the EPA File Symbol or the EPA Registration Number of interest as shown in Unit II. of this document, online at <https://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments. Do not submit electronically any information you consider to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Additional instructions on commenting and visiting the docket, along with more information about dockets generally, is available at <https://www.epa.gov/>.

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II. Applications To Register New Uses

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- *EPA Registration Number:* 59639-233, 59639-230, 59639-272, 59639-248, and 5969-231. *Docket ID number:* EPA-HQ-OPP-2025-0129. *Applicant:* Valent U.S.A. LLC, 4600 Norris Canyon Road, San Ramon, CA 94583. *Active ingredient:* Inpyrfluxam. *Product type:* Fungicide. *Proposed use:* Leafy Greens Subgroup 4-16A. *Received date:* December 4, 2024. *Contact:* RD.

- *EPA Registration Number:* 7969-312, 7969-309. *Docket ID number:* EPA-HQ-OPP-2025-1415. *Applicant:* BASF Corporation, Agricultural Solutions, 26 Davis Drive, P.O. Box 13528, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709. *Active ingredient:* Fluxapyroxad. *Product type:* Fungicide. *Proposed use:* Pennycress. *Received date:* February 7, 2025. *Contact:* RD.

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 136 *et seq.*