Region 8 Pre-SFIREG  
May 2, 2019  
Conference Call

7 in attendance representing ND, SD, CO, MT, WY.

Topics:

**POINTS:** 2019 last year to report
  - Most R8 states use to report their states groundwater information
  - Will funding be cut if POINTS goes away
  - Don’t want to lose the ability for water

**Potential Section 24c Changes**
  - R8 states want to have the opportunity to comment on possible changes
  - States need to have the ability to make changes because it could be imperative for crop production.
  - Allow states to react to certain situations
  - Legislative process would be to slow and problematic not all states have annual legislative sessions
  - Registrants could sue states if label changes required to go through legislation
  - EPA needs to give reasons for denial.

**Federal Certification and Training applicator rule**
  - R8 states concerned on having the resources to dedicate to make the deadline
  - EPA timeliness to answer questions. States have concerns based on track record of EPA responding to questions in a timely matter
  - Many States don’t seem to understand the undertaking a new state certification plan entails.

**Pesticides on Industrial Hemp/Cannabis**
  - 25(b) products have “umbrella” language in label. “Use on all plants”; “flowering plants” “Bedding plants”.
  - What is EPA’s plan?

**Dicamba:**
  - Concerned on being penalized by EPA for not completing requirements in work plan because of Dicamba work load.
  - Will off target movement of Dicamba be the new norm for states?

- April 21-23, 2020 is the next Western Region Pesticide Meeting in Bend, OR.
- Next Pre-SFRIG Meeting will be October 2019, Denver, CO.