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Report Name: Canada Consults on Clopyralid Proposed Maximum Residue Limits

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Report Highlights:

On April 18, 2023, Health Canada's Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA) opened consultations on proposed maximum residue limits (MRL) for clopyralid. This proposed revision will see a MRL of 0.1 ppm established for crop subgroup 13-07B (bushberries including blueberries, highbush cranberries, currants). The consultation will remain open for 75 days and stakeholders are invited to submit comments to PMRA.

Health Canada’s Pest Management Regulatory Agency has opened a [consultation](#) on proposed maximum residue limits (MRLs) for crop subgroup 3-07A (bulb onions) and [crop subgroup 13-07B](#) (bushberries) for clopyralid. The approved request to add Saskatoon berries and bulb onions to the label for a specific clopyralid containing product which is used to control weeds, Lontrel 360 Herbicide, necessitates the establishment of MRLs for these commodities. While Canada does not presently have an established MRL for clopyralid for crop subgroup 3-07A in their [MRL database](#), a MRL of 0.1 ppm was previously established for blueberries which fall under crop subgroup 13-07B. This MRL of 0.1 ppm will now be applicable to the entire crop subgroup 13-07B which, in addition to highbush and lowbush blueberries, also includes highbush cranberries and currants amongst other bushberry commodities. This MRL will be lower than the corresponding U.S. tolerance for clopyralid on crop subgroup 13-07B which is listed at 0.5 ppm in Title 40 of the [electronic Code of Federal Regulations](#). The proposed Canadian MRL for clopyralid on crop subgroup 3-07A is the same as the corresponding U.S. tolerance.

Table 1- Comparison of proposed Canadian MRL for clopyralid with current U.S. tolerance.

Commodity	Proposed Canadian MRL (ppm)	U.S. Tolerance (ppm)
Crop subgroup 3-07A (bulb onions)	0.4	0.4
Crop subgroup 13-07B (bushberries)	0.1	0.5

Source: PMRA

Stakeholders who wish to comment on PMRA’s proposed MRLs for clopyralid will have 75 days from the consultation opening date of April 18, 2023 to submit any comments. Comments may be submitted online through the [consultations portal](#). PMRL2023-21, Clopyralid should be cited when submitting comments. PMRA can also be contacted through the following methods:

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