

**HIGHWAYS BETTERING THE ECONOMY AND ENVIRONMENT POLLINATOR PROTECTION ACT
H.R.**

Introduced by Reps. Alcee L. Hastings (D-FL) and Jeff Denham (R-CA)

The undersigned support H.R. 2738, the Highways Bettering the Economy and Environment Pollinator Protection Act (Highways BEE Act).

Pollinators, such as honey bees and native pollinators, birds, bats, and butterflies, are essential to healthy ecosystems and are vital partners in American agriculture. Honey bees, monarch butterflies and other native pollinators are suffering drastic population losses, due in part to loss of habitat.

Highway right-of-ways (ROWs) managed by State Departments of Transportation (State DOTs) represent about 17 million acres of opportunity where significant economic and conservation/environmental benefits can be achieved through integrated vegetation management (IVM) practices, that can—

- Significantly reduce mowing and maintenance costs for State DOTs, and
- Help create habitat, forage and migratory corridors that will contribute to the health of honey bees, monarch butterflies and other native pollinators, as well as ground nesting birds and other small wildlife.

Neighboring agricultural lands and wildlife ecosystems will benefit through improved pollination services.

The Highways BEE Act directs the Secretary of Transportation to use *existing* authorities, programs and funding to encourage and facilitate IVM and pollinator habitat efforts by *willing* State DOTs and other transportation ROWs managers, building on innovative IVM efforts in a growing number of State DOTs.

National Organizations & Businesses Signed On to Date:

Pollinator Partnership
American Beekeeping Federation
American Farmland Trust
American Forests
American Honey Producers Association
American Horticulture Industry Association (AmericanHort)
American Seed Trade Association
American Society of Landscape Architects
Applewood Seed Company
Bee Culture Magazine
Bee Health at eXtension.org
Blue Diamond Growers
Burt's Bees
Center for Food Safety
Defenders of Wildlife
DuPont Pioneer
Entomological Society of America
Ernst Conservation Seeds
Great Sunflower Project
Haagen-Dazs Ice Cream, Nestle Dreyer's Ice Cream
Jarden Corporation

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Jasper Wyman & Son
Keep America Beautiful, Inc.
Monarch Watch
National Association of Conservation Districts
National Farmers Union
National Gardening Association
National Pest Management Association
National Sustainable Agriculture Coalition
Natural Resources Defense Council
Professional Landcare Network
Project Apis m.
Saint Louis Zoo
Society of American Florists
Syngenta Crop Protection, LLC
The Xerces Society
Toyota
U.S. Apple Association
United Fresh Produce Association
Waste Management
Wildlife Habitat Council

<u>STATE</u>	<u>ORGANIZATION OR BUSINESS</u>
Arizona	Arizona Native Plant Society
Arizona	Arizona Native Plant Society, Tucson Chapter
Arizona	Grand Canyon Honey Company
California	Almond Hullers & Processors Association
California	California Association of Nurseries and Garden Centers
California	California Farm Bureau Federation
California	California State Beekeepers Association
California	Earth Friendly Services
California	Hedgerow Farms
California	Los Angeles County Beekeepers Association
California	Pink Palace Honey
California	S&S Seeds, Inc.
California	Sacramento Area Beekeepers Association
California	SAFE Research & Development LLC
California	San Francisco Bee-Cause
California	Santa Cruz Reskilling Expo
California	Topaz Services LLC
California	Western Growers
Colorado	BBB Seed
Colorado	Colorado Nursery & Greenhouse Association
Colorado	Colorado State Beekeepers Association
Colorado	ecoLogical Lawn & Tree Care
Colorado	Second Start Community Garden
Connecticut	Olde Ripton Garden Club
Florida	American Bee Project
Florida	Bee's Kneelony

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Florida	Florida Association of Native Nurseries (FANN)
Florida	Florida Native Plants Nursery
Florida	Florida Nursery, Growers & Landscape Association
Florida	Florida Wildflower Foundation
Florida	Four Rivers Audubon
Florida	Gainesville Area Bee Club
Florida	Lower Suwannee National Wildlife Refuge
Florida	NE Florida Honey Bee Assoc.
Florida	North Central Florida Beekeepers Association
Florida	South Florida Audubon Society
Florida	The American Bee Project
Florida	Wildflower Seed & Plant Growers Association
Georgia	Beekeepers Club of Gwinnett
Georgia	Energy Efficiency Experts, Inc
Georgia	Greater Atlanta Pollinator Partnership
Georgia	Invertebrate Studies Institute
Georgia	Mountain Sweet Honey Co.
Georgia	University of Georgia Department of Entomology
Idaho	Honeybee Apiaries
Idaho	Idaho Nursery & Landscape Association
Illinois	Ag In Progress Partnership
Illinois	Angelic Organics Learning Center
Illinois	Association for Butterflies
Illinois	Chicago Honey Co-op
Illinois	Heart of Illinois Beekeepers Association
Illinois	Illinois Stewardship Alliance
Illinois	Illinois Valley Beekeepers Association
Illinois	Julie Ann Howlett Consulting
Illinois	Lake County Council for Seniors
Illinois	The Field Museum
Illinois	The Green Sugar Project
Illinois	The Resiliency Institute
Illinois	The Resiliency Institute
Indiana	Indiana Wildlife Federation
Indiana	Lee Bottom Flying Field
Indiana	The CISCO Companies
Iowa	Broad View Seed
Iowa	Garage Bee Keepers
Iowa	Leeward Solutions, LLC
Iowa	Linda Holmes
Iowa	Polk County Conservation
Kentucky	Cumberland Chapter, Sierra Club
Kentucky	EConsulting
Kentucky	Kentuckiana Beekeepers Association
Kentucky	Little Sandy Bee Keepers
Kentucky	Northern KY Sierra Club
Kentucky	Roundstone Native Seed, LLC
Louisiana	Louisiana Nursery & Landscape Association

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Maine	Belfast Co-op
Maryland	Bowie Upper Marlboro Beekeepers Association (BUMBA)
Maryland	Central Maryland Beekeepers Association
Maryland	Chesapeake Conservation Landscaping Council
Maryland	Chesapeake Natives Inc.
Maryland	Estate and Orchard Beekeeping
Maryland	Putnam Hill Nursery
Massachusetts	Artisan Beverage Cooperative
Massachusetts	Beverly Bees
Massachusetts	Boston Area Beekeepers Association
Massachusetts	Friends of Bees
Massachusetts	GreenCAPE
Massachusetts	Lionel Spiro Bee Society
Massachusetts	Massachusetts Nursery and Landscape Association
Massachusetts	Norfolk County Beekeepers Association
Massachusetts	Northbridge High School AP Environmental Science
Massachusetts	Photo Bee 1, LLC
Massachusetts	The Best Bees Company
Massachusetts	The Conantum Garden Club of Concord, MA
Massachusetts	TRILLfoods (business name of Cooking) Culture, LLC)
Michigan	Ann Arbor Backyard Bee Club
Michigan	Ann Arbor Center of Light
Michigan	Center of Michigan Beekeepers (COMB)
Michigan	Foods For Living
Michigan	Kalamazoo Area Wild Ones
Michigan	PlantWise, LLC
Michigan	Wild ones
Minnesota	Bee Swell
Minnesota	Four Seasons Apiaries
Minnesota	Friends of Indian Heights
Minnesota	Humming for Bees
Minnesota	Kaste Seed, Inc.
Minnesota	Minnesota Wildflowers Information
Minnesota	Prairie Moon Nursery
Minnesota	Prairie Restorations, Inc.
Minnesota	Soaring Eagles 4-H Club
Minnesota	Wildlife Forever
Minnesota	Zumbro Valley Audubon
Missouri	Missouri Prairie Foundation
Missouri	Northside Workshop
Missouri	RS Apiaries
Nebraska	Stock Seed Farms Inc.
New Hampshire	The Counseling Studio
New Jersey	Kshunya, Inc
New Jersey	Northwest New Jersey branch New Jersey Beekeepers Assn
New Jersey	Thomas Family Apiaries
New Jersey	Wild Ridge Plants LLC
New Mexico	La Semilla de salud

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New York	ASLA-NY
New York	Bonac Bees
New York	East Hampton Town Trustees
New York	Habitat Gardening in Central New York Wild Ones chapter
New York	Hudson Highlands Garden Design
New York	Seedway LLC
New York	Slow Food USA
New York	Susan OBrien Nicholson
North Carolina	Bee City USA
North Carolina	Cloud Nine Relaxation Home, LLC
North Carolina	Honeygirl Meadery
North Carolina	North Carolina Community Garden Partners
North Carolina	Woodhinge Honey Bee and Pollinator Sanctuary
Ohio	Appalachian Ohio Sierra Club
Ohio	Bee Culture Magazine Staff
Ohio	Greene County Beekeepers Association
Ohio	Honey Run Apiaries
Ohio	Medina County Park District
Ohio	Monroe County Ohio Beekeepers Association
Ohio	Northwest Ohio Beekeepers Association
Ohio	Ohio Nursery & Landscape Association
Ohio	Ohio Prairie Nursery
Ohio	Ohio State Beekeepers Association
Ohio	Simple Yard Care, LLc
Ontario	David Suzuki Foundation
Oregon	Bee Girl
Oregon	Carlene Shultz, Psy.D
Oregon	Environmental Seed Producers
Oregon	Lane County Beekeepers Association
Oregon	Oregon Association of Nurseries
Oregon	Oregon Rural Action
Oregon	Pacific Rain Forest Programs
Pennsylvania	Center for Pollinator Research at Penn State
Pennsylvania	Department of Biological Sciences, Moravian College
Pennsylvania	GeoBees
Pennsylvania	Keiner's Nursery
Pennsylvania	Lehigh Gap Nature Center
Pennsylvania	Lehigh Valley Conservation Landscaping Collaborative
Pennsylvania	Monarch Journey
Pennsylvania	Montgomery County Beekeepers
Pennsylvania	Nature Abounds
Pennsylvania	New Garden Growers Market
Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania Landscape & Nursery Association
Pennsylvania	Tug Hollow Honey LLC
Pennsylvania	Wing Pointe Corp
Puerto Rico	Luis Munoz Marin Foundation
South Carolina	Charleston Area Beekeepers Association
South Carolina	City Roots Farm

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South Carolina	Sustainable Midlands
Tennessee	Cookeville Tennessee Beekeepers Organization
Tennessee	EcoC2S
Tennessee	Kim Phann
Tennessee	LPE BEE FARM
Tennessee	Mid South Beekeepers Association
Tennessee	Mossy Creek Network
Tennessee	Tennessee Parks and Greenways Foundation
Tennessee	Tennessee Valley Chapter of Wild Ones
Texas	Bamert Seed Company
Texas	Henrietta Creek Orchards
Texas	Recreation Education Complex
Texas	Upstart Technology
Utah	Granite Seed Company
Utah	Queen Farina
Vermont	Tadpole Transformations
Virginia	Beekeepers Guild of Southeast Virginia
Virginia	Colonial Beekeepers Association
Virginia	Ehi-Passika Foundation
Virginia	Kinloch Farm Inc.
Virginia	Loudoun Wildlife Conservancy
Virginia	Petal Palate, LLC
Virginia	Prince William Conservation Alliance
Virginia	Tomorrow's Landscapes
Virginia	Virginia Native Plant Society
Virginia	Virginia State Beekeepers Association
Washington	BeeManiacs LLC
Washington	CareAtHomeSeattle.com
Washington	JD Ranch, LLC
Washington	Mt. Baker Beekeepers Assn. - Whatcom county, WA
Washington	Northwest District Bee Keepers Association
Washington	Pilates At Play, LLC
Washington, DC	Friends of the National Zoo
West Virginia	Cabell Wayne Beekeepers Association
West Virginia	Mary Ingles Trail Blazers Chapt. West VA Scenic Trails Assn.
Wisconsin	La Crosse Seed
Wisconsin	Legacy Seeds, Inc
Wisconsin	Marathon County Beekeepers
Wisconsin	Thrive! - Building a Thriving Future
Wisconsin	Vollmer Apiary, LLC
Wisconsin	Wild Ones: Native Plants, Natural Landscapes
Wisconsin	Wisconsin Green Industry Federation