

EAS MASTER BEEKEEPER ORAL EXAM PREPARED QUESTION 2024

Recognized as a local expert on honey bees and pollination, you receive a call from a local farmer's co-op searching for answers about a crop they are looking to develop.

The crop is Cannabis.

The farmers have already applied to the appropriate state agencies for the necessary permits and instructions on what they can and cannot do; what ongoing government regulation/inspections are required, and some marketing guidelines.

Their question to you is three-fold:

1. Will honey bees or other pollinators benefit or improve their crop yields?
2. Could their crop in any way hurt honey bees or other pollinators?
3. To support the growth of their crop, there may be insect pests to deal with. Are there any pesticides that would affect the health of honey bees or other pollinators and if so, how could they find out which to avoid?

The Co-op meets weekly and has invited you to visit and present an overview of your findings. They are eager to have good relationships with local beekeepers.

Please prepare a brief presentation that would suit the needs of these farmers, they have a five (5) minute spot for you in their busy agenda.