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The State Plant Board is taking public comments on an issue that has divided much of Arkansas's agriculture community. Proposed regulations for the use of dicamba from May to October have been published. The herbicide has been blamed in recent years for extensive damage to non-resistant crops. The state is proposing it be used soybean and cotton varieties that are resistant to dicamba. There would be a one-mile buffer zone around research stations, organic crops and non-resistant crops. Arkansas Agriculture Department spokesman Brett Dawson says a 30 day public comment period is now open.

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Comments will be accepted through February 5th. You can find more information about how to submit comments at [KUAR-dot-org](http://KUAR-dot-org).

Dicamba Wrap

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A 30 day comment period is now open regarding proposed regulations for a controversial herbicide. KUAR's Michael Hibblen has details:

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The State Plant Board is recommending allowing growers to use dicamba on soybean and cotton varieties that are tolerant of the herbicide. Brett Dawson, spokesman for the Arkansas Agriculture Department, says under the proposed regulations...

Dicamba A "Applications take place... non-tolerant dicamba crops."

It's an effort to avoid drift that has damaged other crops turning some neighbors against one another. Dawson says the public can share their thoughts with the State Plant Board through February 5th.

Dicamba B "The public comments... the public hearing."

That's set for February 20th at the Embassy Suites in Little Rock. You can find an address or links to submit public comments at [KUAR-dot-org](http://KUAR-dot-org).