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## **MDAC to Enforce Dicamba Requirements Using New EPA Guidance**

**JACKSON, Miss.** – On June 3, 2020, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit issued a ruling that vacated Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) registrations for three dicamba herbicides used by farmers across the nation. The products impacted are Xtendimax, FeXapan and Engenia.

The Mississippi Department of Agriculture and Commerce will enforce label requirements and regulations for these products under new guidance released from the EPA. Growers and commercial applicators may use existing supplies in their possession on or before June 3, 2020 until July 31, 2020. Such use must be consistent with the product’s previously approved label. Distribution or sale by any person of these products is generally prohibited except for ensuring proper disposal or return to the registrant.

“This EPA guidance allows our farmers to continue using dicamba technology to manage invasive weeds in their crops through the end of July. It is not a perfect solution, but it will cover the needs of most of our producers and we will continue to work with the EPA moving forward as necessary to ensure the best interests of Mississippi farmers are considered,” said Agriculture and Commerce Commissioner Andy Gipson.

More details can be found at <https://www.epa.gov/newsreleases/epa-offers-clarity-farmers-light-recent-court-vacatur-dicamba-registrations> online.

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