How Driftwatch helped During the Encephalitis Outbreak October 2019



https://in.driftwatch.org/

Presentation Overview

- What is Driftwatch?
- What happened with Encephalitis?
- How did they tie in together?







What is DriftWatch?

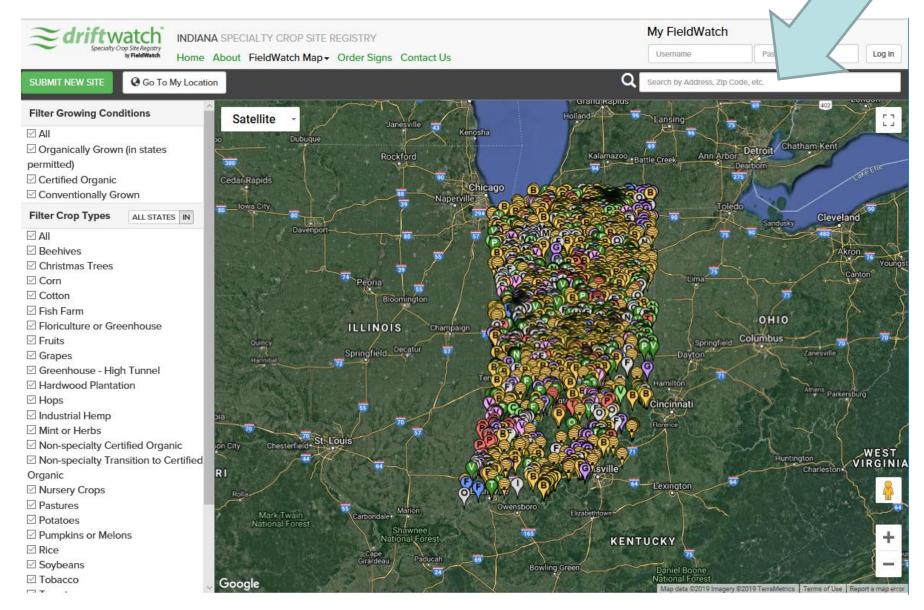
- A sensitive crop registry tool
- Foster communication between pesticide applicators and specialty crop growers
- Tomatoes, fruit trees, grapes, vegetables, apiaries (bees) and more!
- Producers plot their fields on satellite images (Google Earth)
- Only producers growing a commercial crop can register
- Pesticide applicators check website for producers nearby
- Applicators can register to be notified of new sites in their area

Why DriftWatch?

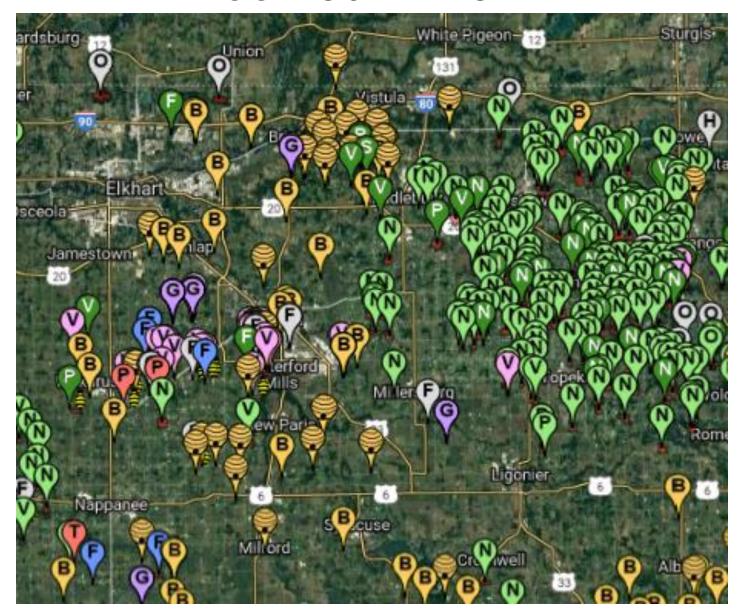
- Drift is expensive!!
- Some crops cost more than \$10,000 an acre to replace
- What are you neighbors growing?? (bees or organics)
- Some aerial and right of way companies use Driftwatch every time they apply



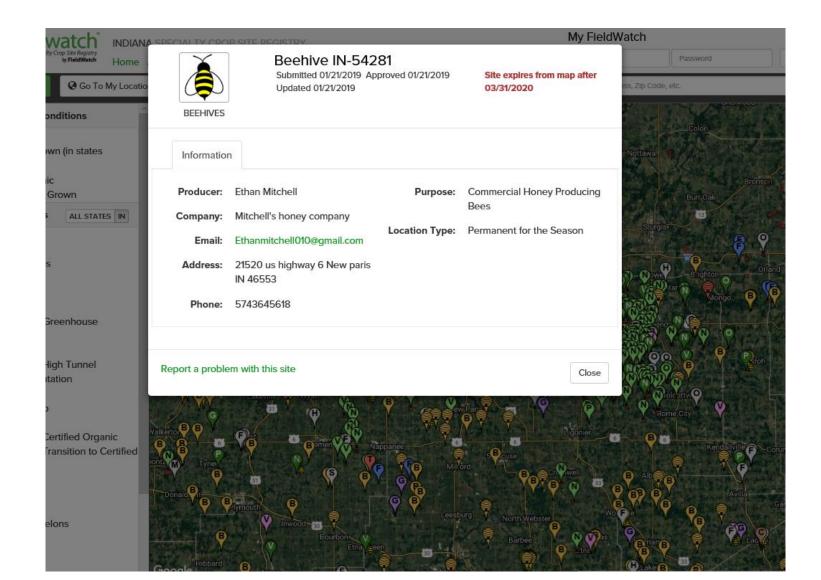
State View



Zoomed in view



Grower contact information

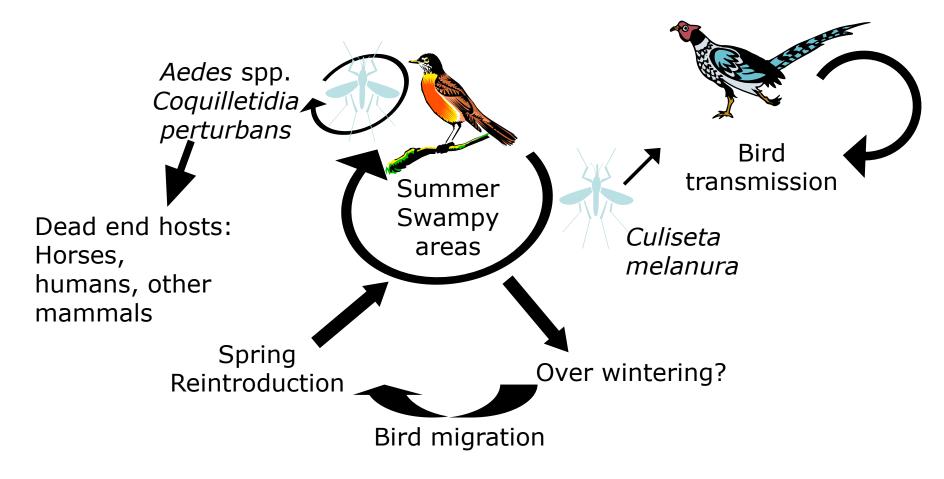


What is EEE?

- Eastern Equine Encephalitis
- Virus disease, passes along by mosquitoes
- Complicated life cycle



EEE Transmission



Risks and Outcomes of EEE

- Humans
 - Elderly most at risk
 - Case fatality rate: 33%
- Horses
 - About 90% fatality
 - A vaccine is available, for annual treatment (a 4-H requirement)
 - Equine cases appear first, sentinels for human cases

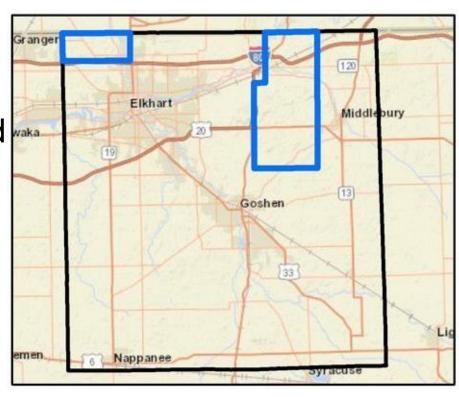
EEE Outbreaks can be serious!

- 1942-1943
 - "Michigan" epidemic 781 human
- 1947
 - Southern Louisiana and Texas
 - 14,000 horse cases/12,000 died
 - 83% case fatality rate
- 5 additional major outbreaks since 1940s



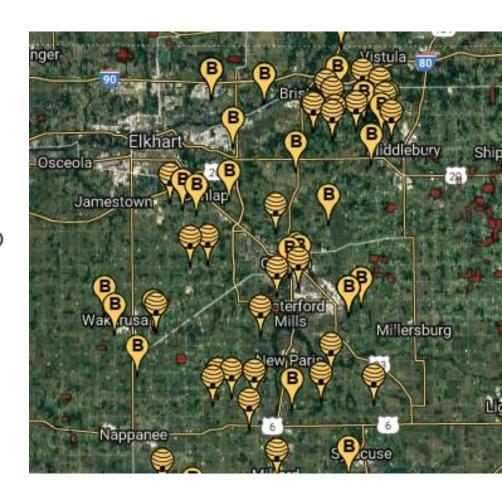
What Purdue Extension Did...

- I was part of the local coordination committee
- Charged with finding organic and specialty crop growers and beekeepers
- Press conference on 10/1/19
- 32,000 acres sprayed 10/2/19



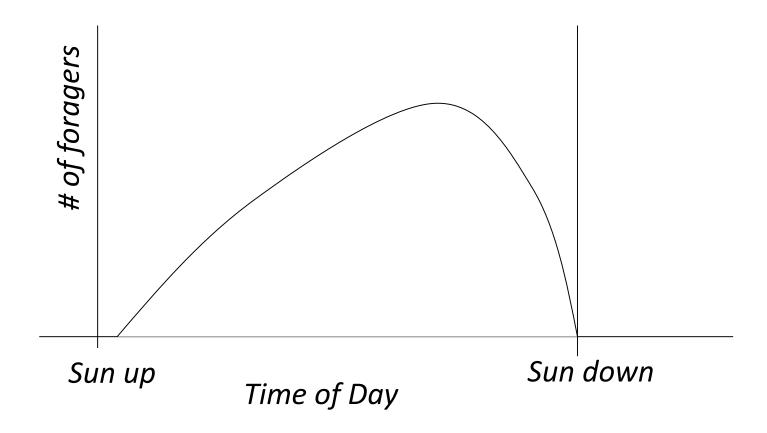
What Purdue Extension Did...

- Located beekeepers in the blocks to be sprayed
 - Made calls, Michiana Beekeepers Association, social media
- Promoted BeeCheck to map locations of bees
- 35 new beekeepers registered in BeeCheck (470+ hives)

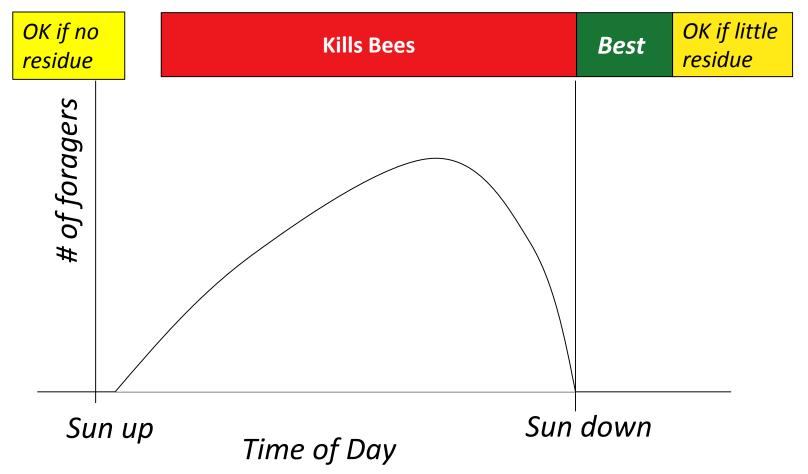


A Honey Bee's (Daily) Life

Honey bees forage sun up to sun down unless it's raining



Best time for pesticide application: Dusk to Dawn



What Purdue Extension Did...

- 6 new organic farms registered in FieldWatch. Two were in the spray block
- Sent information out to our Ag groups (farmers, gardeners..)
- Handled requests for information about the spraying and the pesticide
- Passed information to LaGrange/Noble Counties
- 5 TV interviews, 2 local newspapers that week
- Handled an estimated 450 calls about the spraying over 7 days

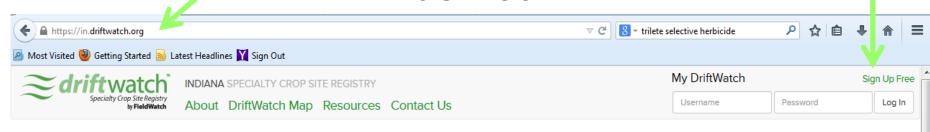
Crazy Stories

- Fueled by Social Media, all kinds of poor information was coming around
- "Everything was going to die"
- Chicken poisoning
- Bees covered, died, not in spray area
- Dead Squirrel

Positives about DriftWatch

- Fairly easy to use
- The aerial applicator could download the specialty crop maps, shut off sprayer
- Beekeepers could be contacted via phone or email and given updates





Welcome to the New DriftWatch™

We have recently redesigned the look of our site! The streamlined features will help our producers and applicators keep their specialty sites up-to-date and enable a quicker workflow for all users. All login usernames and passwords, sites, and notifications remain active, and you can access your account more easily now using the login form in the top-right of any page on the site.

The DriftWatch Specialty Crop Site Registry is a voluntary communication tool that enables crop producers, beekeepers, and pesticide applicators to work together to protect specialty crops and apiaries through use of **the DriftWatch registry mapping program**. It is not a substitute for any state regulatory requirements.

Applicators can get advanced integration capabilities to help avoid spraying specialty sites and receive notifications when sites are moved or added to the DriftWatch database. Producers get extra peace of mind knowing their crops have an additional layer of protection against accidental pesticide drift.



View My Sites and My Account Information

If you are a producer or an applicator and already have a DriftWatch Account, log in here or use the login form at the top-right of the page.

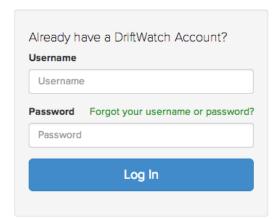
Login information



MICHIGAN SPECIALTY CROP SITE REGISTRY

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Sign Up for a DriftWatch Account Signing up is fast, free, and simple. Username Must be at least 6 characters. It's OK to use your email address as your username. Username Email Address **Email Address** Password Must be at least 8 characters, case-sensitive Password Re-type Password Re-type Password I am registering as a ... Producer **Applicator** Sign Up



No email address?: no.email@driftwatch.org

User Contact Information Same for producers & applicators

Contact Information		
First Name:	Last Name:	
First	Last	
Organization (Optional):		
Organization		
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Signing up as an applicator: Notification options



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Registered DriftWatch Applicator My Profile Log Out

Sign up for Free Site Alerts

Registered DriftWatch Applicators get automatic email notifications of new sites in selected areas. You can select to receive notifications statewide, county-by-county, or in specially designated regions of your choosing.

Notification Options

- Entire State / Province
- Select Counties
- Draw a custom region on the map

Finish

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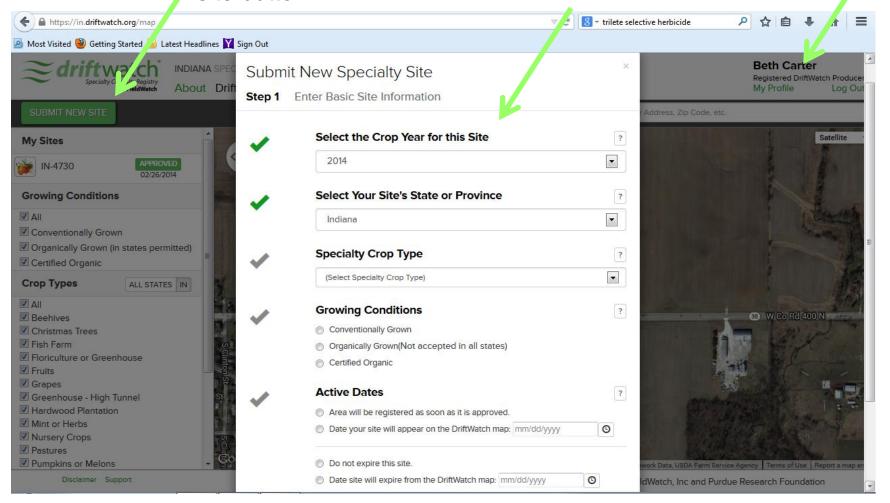


Registering your site as a producer

2) Submit new site button

3) Fill out crop info

1) Login

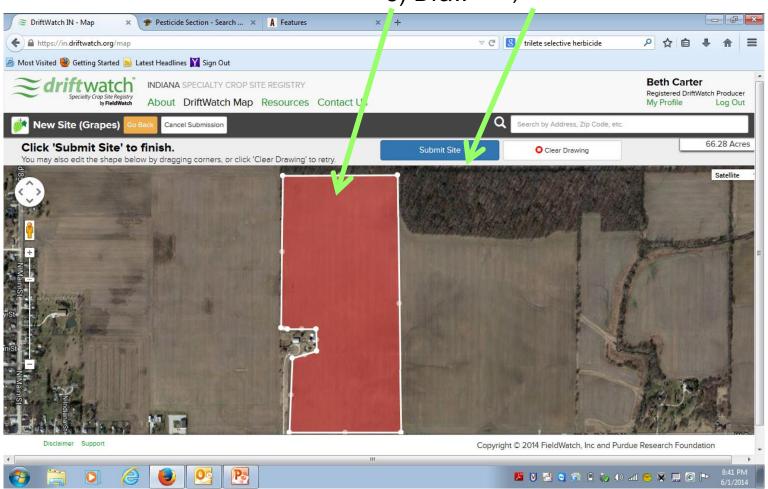


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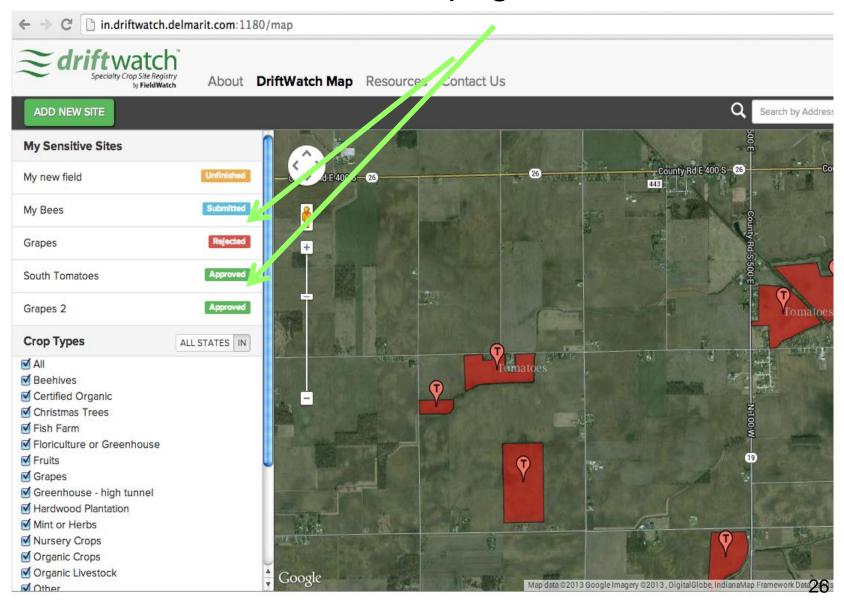
4) Begin tracing button https://in.driftwatch.org/map ▼ C 8 + trilete selective herbicide 🔊 Most Visited 🥘 Getting Started 🔊 Latest Headlines 🏋 Sign Out **Beth Carter** INDIANA SPECIALTY CROP SITE REGISTRY Registered DriftWatch Producer About DriftWatch Map Resources Contact Us My Profile Log Out **New Site (Grapes)** Cancel Submission Search by Address, Zip Code, etc. 0.00 Acres Locate your site on the map, then click Begin Tracing. Begin Tracing Satellite 38 W Co Rd 400 N WCoRd 400 N 38 W Co Rd 400 N 38 Disclaimer Support Copyright © 2014 FieldWatch, Inc and Purdue Research Foundation

Registering your site as a producer

5) Draw 6) Submit



Producer page



DriftWatch Specialty Crop Site Registry Notification Emails

RE: DE DriftWatch™ Approval

Dear Ray Walker,

Thank you for signing-in and utilizing the DriftWatch Specialty Crop Site Registry. This note is providing verification and approval of your recent submission that has been added to the DriftWatch database.

• DriftWatch Field ID: DE-4713 'Walker's Apiary'

Crop Type: Beehives

Growing Condition: Organically Grown

Crop Year: 2014

Submission Date: Feb 24, 2014

Start Date: 02/23/2014

Email: ray.m.walker@gmail.com

Website: http://www.naturallygrown.org/producers/3817

Public Notes: Certified Naturally Grown Apiary

Area: approximately 0.61 acres

To see this field on the map, click here.

The data steward made the following remarks regarding your submission:

Users receive automated emails with site specific information

- -- Welcome and Sign Up
- -- Submission
- -- Approval
- -- New Sites in Area

Thank you for using DriftWatch. Please contact me if you have any questions or comments. Laura Mensch (302) 698-4573 laura.mensch@state.de.us

As an approved producer, you may purchase official black and yellow "No Drift Zone" signs for additional identification of your specialty crop site!

Simply login to DriftWatch and click on your approved site, then in the popup click "Purchase a No-Drift Sign for my site".

If you see anything in error or have any problems, please contact your data steward david.pyne@state.de.us.

Thank You for Using DriftWatch!

Regards,

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