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Stakeholder Risk Assessment Consultation

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APHIS shares draft pest risk assessments with the public to determine whether stakeholders have information that might lead us to revise the draft assessment before we identify pest mitigations and proceed with official rulemaking. This service allows stakeholders to review and provide comments on draft risk assessments or pest lists for fruits, vegetables, plants, or plant products for a 30-day period.

As draft risk assessments and pest lists are made available for comment, they will be posted on this page with the date by which comments are due.

Comments Due by:	Title
July 5, 2025	Importation of apple (<i>Malus</i> spp.) from Belgium, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, the Netherlands, and the United Kingdom into the United States for planting (2.21 MB)
July 24, 2025	Importation of cucumber (<i>Cucumis sativus</i> L.) from the Republic of Korea into the United States for consumption
	Importation of Oriental melon (<i>Cucumis melo</i>) from the Republic of Korea into the United States for consumption
	Importation of turban squash (<i>Cucurbita maxima</i>) from the Republic of Korea into the United States for consumption

Comments Due by:

Title

Importation of watermelon (
Citrullus lanatus) from Republic of Korea into the United States for consumption

How To Submit Comments

Submit your comments to ppqpracomments@usda.gov.

You will need to include the name of the commodity assessed by the draft document (for example, apples, spruce trees) in the "Subject" line of your emailed comment.

Your comments will be considered for scientific and technical issues raised and may result in changes to the risk assessments or pest lists. However, we are unable to provide you with individual feedback regarding your comment. When providing comments, please note:

- You will not find mitigations for pests shown in draft pest lists and risk assessments. Risk management, including mitigations, is conducted after we receive stakeholder and country comments on each pest list or risk assessment.
- This stakeholder consultation service differs from providing official comments
 once a rule or notice is published in the Federal Register. You will have another
 opportunity to provide comments on our risk assessments or pest lists when
 the respective proposed rules or notices are available for comment in the
 Federal Register.

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