

Public Notice

GENETICALLY ENGINEERED PLANT ORDINANCE No. 2014-007

TO: ALL FARMERS, PERSONS, CORPORATIONS OR ENTITIES PROPAGATING, RAISING, OR GROWING GENETICALLY ENGINEERED PLANTS IN JOSEPHINE COUNTY

You are hereby notified that the voters of Josephine County, Oregon, pursuant to a citizen initiative measure, approved at the election of May 20, 2014, the Josephine County Genetically Engineered Plant Ordinance, which was assigned Ordinance Number 2014-007, by the Board of Commissioners.

Ordinance No. 2014-007 prohibits the propagation, raising or growing of genetically engineered plants (also known as "GMO" crops) in Josephine County after the phase-out period consisting of the 12-months following enactment, which will end on September 4, 2015.

ANY GROWING OF GENETICALLY ENGINEERED PLANTS/CROPS IN JOSEPHINE COUNTY AFTER SEPTEMBER 4, 2015, WILL BE IN VIOLATION OF ORDINANCE 2014-007.

Anyone currently growing genetically engineered plants/crops is required to contact Josephine County Sheriff Dave Daniel at (541) 474-5123 to notify the county and provide the following information: name, contact information, description of genetically engineered crop type, crop location, proposed phase-out plan to be completed before the September 4, 2015, deadline, and whether any technical assistance for the transition is requested.

A copy of the ordinance may be obtained by contacting the County Board of Commissioners at (541) 474-5221.

Failure to receive notice does not waive compliance with the law.

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