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## News Release – May 15, 2018

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### **Pesticides in Our Communities**

*A series of informational forums about pesticides.*

**HOOD RIVER, ORE.** – **Beyond Toxics**, in partnership with Colombia River Keeper is organizing a series of community forums in the month of May. The forums will be held on Wednesday May 16<sup>th</sup> and Thursday May 31<sup>st</sup>. They are both part of the ***Pesticides in Our Communities*** Series, which aims to engage the Hood River community in a dialog about concerns around the use of pesticides.

The first part of the series was on May 3<sup>rd</sup> which talked about the impact pesticides have on health. The second forum, ***Protecting Pollinators from Pesticides***, will look at how pesticides have impacted pollinators and what is being done to protect them here in the state of Oregon. The series will conclude with Pesticides ***in Our Drinking Water***, an analysis of how pesticides enter Oregon's water ways and the impacts they have on Oregonians who depend on those waterways for drinking water.

All forums will begin at 6:30 pm and will be followed by community discussion to explore solutions, what work is being done now and how people can become involved.

**WHAT:** Pesticides in Our Communities Series

**WHEN:** Wednesday, May 16<sup>th</sup> and Thursday May 31<sup>st</sup>: 6-8 pm

**WHERE:** Rockford Grange, 4250 Barrett Dr., Hood River, OR and Riverside Community Church  
317 State St, Hood River, OR 97031

**COST:** FREE!

Light snacks and refreshments will be offered during this event. This a family-friendly event serving non-alcoholic beverages.

For more detail about the event: <http://www.beyondtoxics.org/events/>

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