

Eastern Canada plan for biotech & conventional alfalfa coexistence

“U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack announced recently that USDA will publish a notice in the Federal Register asking for comments on coexistence in the U.S. for biotech crops and conventional and organic crops,” writes Ross Korves, Economic and Trade Policy analyst for *Truth About Trade and Technology*. “This is in response to a recommendation from USDA’s Committee on Biotechnology and 21st Century Agriculture. The alfalfa hay industry in eastern Canada (Ontario and Quebec) has gone through a process to develop a voluntary plan for coexistence for the region.”

“Perennial biotech crops and forages are not currently available for commercial planting in eastern Canada,” Korves says. “Alfalfa genetically modified to be resistant to glyphosate herbicide (Roundup) was given full approval for food, feed and environmental release by Canadian regulators in 2005.”

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