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 Great Lakes Regional Field Office
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TO: Great Lakes Field Enumerators and Supervisors
 FROM: Janiece Presberry
 DATE: December 6, 2024
 SUBJECT: Quarterly Colony Loss Survey

GENERAL INFORMATION & INSTRUCTIONS

	BEE COLONY LOSS SURVEY
Stat Contact	Janiece Presberry
Stat Phone	517-324-5318
Project Code	115
Sample Size	300
Mail Date	December 20
Enumeration Dates	Monday, December 30 – Tuesday, January 14 Monday, January 6 (Delayed Start Date)*
NOD Call-Outs	TBD
Last Day to Submit by CAPI	Tuesday, January 14 @ 11:59 pm
Release Date	August 1, 2025

***DELAYED START:** Records with a positive history of mail/web response will be turned off in CAPI during the first week of data collection to allowed operators time to respond by mail or web.

Special Instructions:

Bee diseases and death loss have become a significant issue over the last few years. You will be collecting information on the extent and causes of loss and disease. The target population for this survey includes operations with five or more honey bee colonies. Please enumerate the Colony Loss Survey only during the time period specified and submit by CAPI by January 14 at 11:59 p.m. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Janiece Presberry or Ann Courser.

Thank you for the great work you do with the surveys!

Survey Specific Notes:

- In section 3, the sum of the numbers in columns 5 and 6 should be within close range to the sum of section 4.
- Please be sure to be sure to verify needed information and write comments to explain any unusual situations, including high losses and multi-state operations.
- Get the best data possible, try to minimize the number of UNKNOWNs.
- Submit all the records you were assigned. Contact your supervisor if you need assistance.

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