

Pesticide Control Office Apiary Registration Code

Honey bees are a critical link in agricultural production. Pollination by managed honey bee colonies adds at least \$15 billion to the value of U.S. agriculture annually through increased yields and superior-quality harvests.

As an Arizona tribe with deep roots in agriculture, bees and pollinators in general play an integral part in the Gila River Indian Community's economic and cultural welfare. To regulate managed beekeeping operations within the Community, the Community Council adopted the Apiary Registration Code, GR-01-19, on January 16, 2019.



Previous legislation regulating beekeeping activities was over 30 years old, and it was important to ensure that the new code remained applicable, culturally relevant, functional, and enforceable while meeting the needs of the Community.

The Pesticide Control Office is responsible for enforcing the Apiary Registration Code, and works closely with other Community agencies to ensure that the placement of the apiaries do not violate Tribal trespass regulations or pose a nuisance to the Community.

For more information regarding the Apiary Registration Code, please visit us on the web at