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Abstract
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FieldWatch® features a voluntary mapping tool through Google Maps™ that shows pesticide applicators the locations of registered sensitive crops and beehives so they can make informed decisions regarding potential pesticide applications. FieldWatch® replaced the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship Sensitive Crop Directory in 2017.

Recently FieldWatch® launched two new mobile apps that make it easier to access and input data. The FieldCheck app is designed to give applicators easier access to information from their mobile device while in the field. BeeCheck is designed to help beekeepers make changing the location of beehives easier and faster. Both apps are available free of charge for Android and iOS devices.
BeeCheck for beekeepers

Producers can register their sensitive crops on the DriftWatch Specialty Crop Site Registry and beekeepers can register their hive locations on the BeeCheck Apiary Registry.

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