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Legacy Petition Process

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The petition process was discontinued on October 1, 2021. See below for links to the petition table and petition resources.

Under the legacy rule, developers could submit a petition requesting an agency determination that a plant developed using a plant pest is unlikely to pose a plant pest risk, and therefore, is no longer subject to APHIS' biotechnology regulations. Under the revised rule, developers have the option of requesting a permit or a regulatory status review (RSR) of a plant developed using genetic engineering that has not been previously reviewed and determined to be nonregulated.

Legacy Petition Guidance and Resources

- [Guidance for Submitting a Petition \(pdf\)](#) (701.77 KB)
- [Guidance on Requests for Extensions of Nonregulated Status](#) (162.89 KB)
- [Table of petitions for determination of nonregulated status](#)

Additional Resources

- [Learn More About the RSR Process](#)
- [Learn More About the Revised Regulations](#)

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