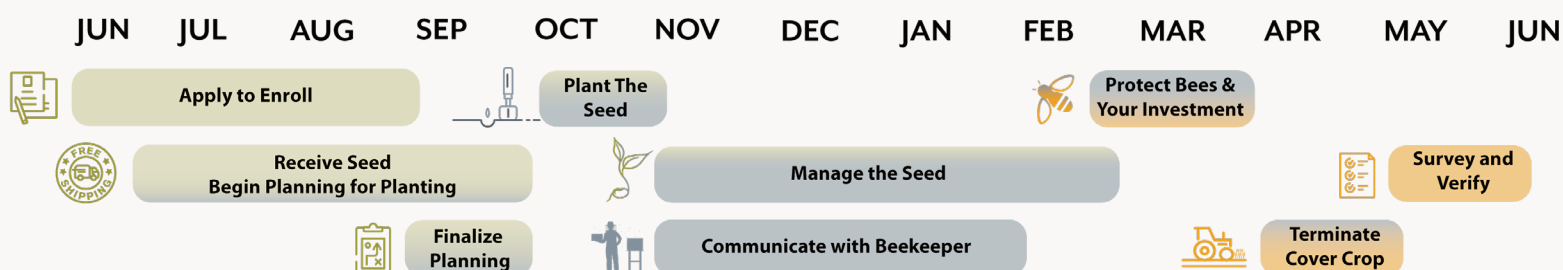


Seeds for Bees Management Quick Guide



Action	Advice	Timing	Resources*
Apply to Enroll	Get applications in before harvest! Limited seed availability. Technical assistance consultation with SFB.	June 1 - August 31	• ProjectApism.org/Apply to Enroll
Receive Your Seed, Begin Planning for Planting	Seed pickup & shipping. Begin planning: Where are you going to plant? How are you going to plant, drill or broadcast? If drill, who , you or custom operator?	June - September	• SFB Planting Mix Guide • ABC Cover Crop BMPs • SFB Consultation with Rory Crowley
Finalize Your Planning for Planting	Finalize your planning for planting. Prep your ground. Get your equipment. Call for technical assistance help. Get questions answered now.	September	• SFB Planting Mix Guide • ABC Cover Crop BMPs, pgs. 9-10
Plant the Seed	Seed planted in October germinates best, blooms before almonds, aiding bee health and productivity during almond bloom	October	• SFB Planting Mix Guide • ABC Cover Crop BMPs, pgs. 9-10
Manage the Seed	Critical time for grower oversight. Good germination/stand depend on good planting, water, and attention to detail.	November 1 - February 15	• SFB Planting Mix Guide • ABC Cover Crop BMPs, pgs. 9-10
Communicate With Your Beekeeper	Do you have a pollination contract? Is beekeeper offering SFB discount? Will you have clean water for bees? How will you communicate pesticides?	November - February	• ABC Honey Bee BMPs • lpm.ucanr.edu/beeeprecaution • Water for Bees • Pollination Contract
Protect the Bees and Your Investment	Goal: have cover crop blooming before during, and after almond bloom. Read/ implement BMPs for honey bees when applying crop protection products.	Cover Crop Bloom	• Water for Bees • ABC Honey Bee BMPs • ABC applicator quick guide BMPs
Terminate the Cover Crop	Are commercial honey bees out? Are you going to start herbicide or pesticide sprays? If yes to either, terminate.	April	• ABC Cover Crop BMPs, pgs. 14-16
Survey and Verify	Required Survey participation and two photos sent to PAm.	April - May	• Survey email sent to SFB participants • Send verification photos to SFB

*Links to all resources:

ProjectApism.org/seeds-for-bees-resources

Additional Links:

[Guidelines & Enrollment](#)

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[PAm Seed Mixes](#)

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For water/drought, frost considerations, and termination, see these resources:

[Seeds for Bees](#)

[Grower FAQs](#)

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[ABC Cover Crop BMPs](#)

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[Cover Crops: Worth the Water?](#)

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