

Committed to Honey Bee Health

The decline in honey bee health has been linked to **five complex factors** and the California almond industry has and continues to help address each one.



HELPING HIVES

To provide additional food sources for honey bees before and after almond bloom, ABC encourages farmers to consider planting bee pastures near or within almond orchards.

Since 2013, almond farmers have planted over 27,000 acres of bee pasture through Project Apis m.'s Seeds For Bees program.⁴

Just like almonds are a nutritious snack for us, almond pollen is important to bee diets too!

It contains all 10 of the essential amino acids bee diets require⁵ and hives routinely leave stronger after pollinating almonds.⁶

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