

Integrated Pest Management Program

Building our Foundation for the Future

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Outline

- IPM Program changes
- Proposed IPM Regulation amendments
- Administrative Penalties
- Strategic Engagement Agreements (FN consultation)
- Transferring confirmations/"cloning"
- IPMP work plan

IPM Program Changes

- **Staffing Changes**
 - Bob Lucy retired – welcome Gwen Lohbrunner
 - Bruce Holms moved on - new Victoria policy person coming soon!
 - Jerry Vakenti retired
 - Jerry Daoust (PG) has left government
 - Daphne Dolhaine has taken a TA
 - new IPM Manager coming soon!
 - New ADM – Lori Halls

it's not a mess, it's
UNDER CONSTRUCTION



IPM Program Changes

- Regional Operations Reorg
 - Monitoring, Compliance & Stewardship
 - No more regions
 - New IPM Section head position*
- New website coming soon
 - Not a facelift, a complete restructure
 - Designed for the user in mind
 - Going live Fall 2014 (*fingers crossed*)

IPMR Amendments Update

- Issued Intentions Paper in Fall 2013
- Originally proposed:
 - Licence to use pesticides for landscaping on private land
 - Create (new) Schedule 5 & allow without licence
 - All pesticides except Schedule 5 stored “behind counter”
 - Increase vendor-customer interaction (confirm “suitable”)
 - All assistant applicators to be trained
 - Allow glyphosate use without licence for poisonous plants
 - Opt out for municipalities & FNs with regulation-making powers

IPMR Amendments Update (cont.)

- Open consultation & processed comments in 2014
 - Huge response
 - Wide range of perspectives
- Identified certain topics of particular interest:
 - Assistant applicators
 - Schedule 5 vs Schedule 2
 - Restricted storage of pesticides
 - Limiting glyphosate exemption to noxious and not invasive
 - Desire for residential use by trained people

IPMR Amendments Update (cont.)

- Conducted additional targeted consultation in 2014:
 - Assistant Applicators exploratory session
 - focus groups with vendors/manufacturers & invasive plant reps
- Path forward:
 - Some changes to the original proposal anticipated
 - Decision Paper expected to be released this fall
 - Original timing (2014/2015) modified due to input received

IPMR Amendments Update (cont.)

Likely to see:

- Increased options for trained residents to conduct own treatment
- Less change to Schedule 2 than originally expected
- Assistant Applicators:
 - Online course being developed at OpenSchoolBC
 - Course material based on Learning Outcomes (focus group)
 - Other training options under consideration

Administrative (Monetary) Penalties

- New enforcement tool
- Financial penalty (several categories,- 10, 40 & \$75K)
- Fills gap between warnings/tickets and major prosecution
- Less onerous legal and procedural requirements
 - “balance of probability”
- Ability to remove financial incentive for non-compliance
- Anticipating a slow introduction
 - developing guidance and penalty templates; limited delegation initially
- Continued commitment to promoting voluntary compliance

Strategic Engagement Agreements (SEAs)

- New agreements with First Nations (FN) are being developed
- Establishes new procedures on how to engage
 - MUST follow, not guidelines
- Supersede draft FN Consultation Guidelines
- May include new requirements on:
 - timing
 - process
 - notifications (NITs)
- **Make yourself aware** before consulting on your next PMP!
www.newrelationship.gov.bc.ca/agreements_and_leg/engagement.html

“Cloning” a PMP – Merges & Acquisitions

- Increase in companies selling part (or all) of their operations
- Sometimes selling only selected sites within PMP boundary
- Presents administrative challenge and opportunity
- In certain situations, can “re-use” previous consultation efforts
- Principles:
 - must be essentially same PMP (& same AIs)
 - PMP boundary cannot be expanded
 - Notification to those previously engaged
- Specifics important - speak to me about your situation

What will the IPMP be working on?

- Increased Structural & Ag focus
- A few IVM projects:
 - **Higher Risk Treatments**
 - treatments close to drinking water sources & critical habitat (2015)
 - **IPM Verification - Monitoring Audit**
 - will be requesting PMPs not on file (* version control)
 - prepared to explain pre- and post-treatment monitoring (utilities + O&G)
 - **IV national manual & new exam** – used with core manual

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Explanatory Notes available on website.

*If you want to prosper for a year, grow rice.
If you want to prosper for a decade, plant trees.
If you want to prosper for a century, grow people.*