

IPM Program Updates: Policy, People, and Process

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Outline – IPM Program Updates

- Who's Who? - Staffing & Roles
- Policy:
 - Directly draining
 - High water mark
- Outreach - Messages & Reminders
- Buffers & PFZs
- Certification
- Upcoming Work



IPM Program Staffing Updates

- Administrator/Director: Christa Zacharias-Homer
- IPM Policy Analyst – Lauren Hall
- Licence Officer (interim) - Kate Bergen
- IPM Officer – Cannabis (Emily Carmichael)
- IPM Regional staff (covered by ROB)

IPM Program – Roles & Responsibilities

HQ/ROB responsibilities:

- **HQ (Victoria)**
 - Legislation & Policy; Certification
 - Regulatory Interpretation & Explanatory Notes
 - Guidance (BMPs)
- **Regional Inspectors (ROB)**
 - Authorizations – Licenses/PMP Confirmations/Permits
 - Compliance verification & enforcement

HQ – Roles & Responsibilities

- **Policy analyst (Lauren)**
 - Agriculture, Landscape and Structural sectors
 - Emergency Use Registrations
 - *IPM Act* amendments
 - Schedule 2/5
- **Large Industry Specialist (Jon)**
 - IVMA liaison
 - Regulatory Interpretation / Explanatory Notes
 - IPM standards
 - Wildlife/glyphosate
 - Qualified Professional issues

Policy Updates

New policies in Fall 2018:

- Directly draining
- High water mark (interim)

Guidance Material to be developed

Policy Updates – Directly Draining

Not directly draining **IF** it flows into a BOW:

1. without fish, **or**
2. with fish at a distance greater than 100 m, **or**
3. with fish at a distance greater than 10 m, **and**
has **significant dilution**
 - i.e., different stream order than the most downstream reach **or** is a class S6 stream that becomes a S5 before flowing into FBW.

Policy Updates – High Water Mark

- Level **frequently wetted** during the season of high water
 - i.e., where water **normally** comes up to each year
 - includes the high tide level for tidal waters.
 - **conspicuous break in the terrestrial vegetation** or a “mark” impressed on the bank
- Not meant to include **unusually high levels** that may be experienced in **extreme flood events**.
- Interim policy –2019 field season assessment

Outreach - Heads Up!

- **Adjuvants as pesticides?**
 - “Surfactants “ are excluded (schedule 2)
 - Other adjuvants may be pesticides!
 - Include on PUN & in consultation
- **“Invasives” not listed in FRPA’s Invasive Plants Reg**
 - If **not listed**, then not “invasive” under IPMR
 - Different use category - industrial or landscape
 - PFZ to 1m-selective glyphosate not allowed

Outreach - Heads Up!

- **IPM adoption**

- Goal: no unnecessary use
- Vehicle: IPM in a PMP
- Increasing scrutiny
- Need to demonstrate
- Explanatory Notes when renewing PMP

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Buffers & PFZs

- **PFZs are not buffers!**
- IPMR: buffers = results-based
 - “sufficient” to prevent release (BOW/adj property)
- PFZs/NTZs are not affected by wind direction
- Federal vs Provincial?
 - BOTH - use the more restrictive one!
 - If IPMR requirements > label then follow IPMR

Certification Updates

- New national Industrial Veg manual late 2019
 - Updated Ind Veg exam 2020
- Applicator Core manual updated 2019
- Review (& update?) forestry exam (2018/19)
- Certification software modernization 2019
 - Facilitate exam creation & correction

Upcoming Work – IVMA Focus

- **Policy/Interpretation**
 - Body of water
- **IVMA Engagement Sessions**
 - Adjuvants as pesticides
 - Applying pesticides closer to water/ invasives
- **Explanatory Notes**
 - Ditch/stream
 - PFZs & when they can be reduced

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