



Agricultural Commissioners

California's 50-plus county agricultural commissioners provide training and work closely with businesses, growers, pest control experts, workers and other community members to educate them about the safe and legal use of pesticides.

www.cdpr.ca.gov/docs/county/comenu.htm

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Need a speaker for your upcoming event?
DPR can share the latest research and news in pesticides, IPM and worker safety.



Our mission is to protect human health and the environment by regulating pesticide sales and use, and by fostering reduced-risk pest management.



Direct laborer and business-owner engagement ♦ School IPM workshops and online training ♦ Information booths at health fairs and community events ♦ Licensing courses ♦ Environmental justice ♦ Social media ♦ Mainstream media ♦ Publications ♦ More ...





Healthy Schools Act Training



DPR Pest Management and Licensing Branch scientists regularly provide schools staff with training in Integrated Pest Management (IPM), which incorporates least toxic pest control methods. Schools are required to adopt IPM practices under the state Healthy Schools Act.

Staff also create educational materials and oversee an on-line training program for school and child daycare staff, teaching them IPM methodologies.

www.cdpr.ca.gov/docs/pestmgt/schoolipm.htm



Licensing and Certification

Pest Management and Licensing Branch scientists also give training and talks to organizations whose members sell, apply commercially or consult on the use of pesticides. The branch accredits continuing education courses and collaborates with the University of California to develop study guides and questions for licensing exams.

www.cdpr.ca.gov/docs/license/liccert.htm

Enforcement

DPR's Enforcement Branch—with field offices in Southern, Central and Northern California—routinely conducts outreach, trains county inspectors and evaluates the effectiveness of county pesticide use programs.

Enforcement staff also meet with grocers and community groups to educate them about the department's residue monitoring program, through which DPR scientists sample fruits and vegetables to test for the presence of pesticides.

www.cdpr.ca.gov/docs/enforce/pest_enf.htm



Worker Health and Safety

DPR's Worker Health and Safety staff engage with the public. They frequently give talks to farmworkers and agricultural organizations, and participate in a variety of community events like health fairs. Spanish speakers are available.

www.cdpr.ca.gov/docs/whs/farmworker_safety.htm

Industrial Hygiene

Our industrial hygienists conduct employee and area monitoring to determine areas of potential pesticide exposures and consult with county agricultural commissioners, growers, handlers, industry, worker advocates and private citizens to develop safety measures on such issues as personal protective equipment, airborne monitoring methods and safe work practices.

www.cdpr.ca.gov/docs/whs/ind_hygiene.htm

Endangered Species

DPR's Endangered Species Project maps sites occupied by federally listed species, evaluates pesticide exposure risks to inhabited sites, and develops protection strategies to minimize risk as needed.



Program staff maintain a database and app called PRESCRIBE, to help people avoid conflicts with laws protecting these species (<http://cdpr.ca.gov/docs/endspec/precint.htm>)

www.cdpr.ca.gov/docs/endspec/intro.htm

Environmental Monitoring

DPR's Environmental Monitoring scientists study the air, soil, ground water and surface water environment to determine the fate of pesticides and potential hazards.

In addition, the scientists provide information to growers, commodity groups, and pesticide applicators on methods to reduce the potential of pesticides moving offsite from intended areas of use and monitor for pesticides in water and air in areas of high use.

www.cdpr.ca.gov/docs/emon/ehap.htm



Environmental Justice

DPR's Environmental Justice program seeks to ensure economically disadvantaged communities receive equal protections afforded under the state's pesticide laws.

www.cdpr.ca.gov/docs/envjust/