M E M O R A N D U M

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SUBJECT: TIPS TO REDUCE PUR ERRORS

1. Double-check units treated and planted, and unit of measure – incorrect units can result in very high use rates.

2. Make sure to report the amount of product BEFORE any dilution takes place. The Total Product Used amounts should always be an undiluted amount.

3. Double-check the name and registration number to be sure you are reporting the correct product. Many products have similar names and registration numbers to other products.

4. Be sure to report on the correct form – production-agricultural uses and non-agricultural uses require different sets of information.

5. Be sure to check FUME for fumigation in the Application Method box if the product applied was a fumigant. If required, include a fumigation method: https://www.cdpr.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/ffm_code-table.pdf

6. All site codes (commodity codes) are available online for reference: https://www.cdpr.ca.gov/report/commodity-codes-for-permit-pur-programs/. While these do not have strict definitions, here are some guidelines to avoid selecting the wrong code:

- Site code 10 (Structural Pest Control) and 11 (Preconstruction) should be reported on a non-agricultural monthly summary report form (MSPUR). Herbicides and plant growth regulators should not be reported for Structural Pest Control, which is defined as "pest control work performed within or on buildings and other structures." Pesticides applied to plants should be reported under different site codes.

- Site code 30 (Landscape Maintenance) is loosely defined as "pest control work performed on landscape plantings around residences or other buildings, golf courses, parks, cemeteries, etc." Pesticide applications to bodies of water to treat aquatic weeds or other aquatic pests should be reported under site code 65000 (Water Area), not site code 30 (Landscape Maintenance).

7. Review instructions on the back of the forms to determine what to enter in each box. Note:

- Ounces can refer to either a measure of weight or volume depending on whether the product is wet or dry.

- For units of acres planted and treated, enter the units used as either acres, square feet, cubic feet, thousand cubic feet, pounds, tons, or miscellaneous (e.g., containers, tree holes, bunches, pallets).

8. Finally, check for typos. Mistakes like misplaced decimals or extra zeroes can inflate or underreport use!