

Local Enforcement

In California, pesticide laws and regulations are enforced through a partnership between DPR and CACs. DPR oversees enforcement statewide to ensure consistency, while CACs manage local enforcement in their communities. Appointed by the County Board of Supervisors, CACs also manage programs related to agriculture and weights and measures.

As the local pesticide use enforcement agencies, the CACs' responsibilities include:

- Certifying private applicators and issuing restricted materials permits and operator identification numbers.
- Inspecting the operations and records of growers, pest control businesses, agricultural pest control advisers, farm labor contracts, and government agencies.
- Monitoring pesticide applications in the field.
- Investigating all reported pesticide incidents and illnesses.
- Collecting and reporting to DPR pesticide use report information.

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