

Amendments: Updated March 22, 2013

INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT PROPOSAL (IPM) FOR THE 2013 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

PURPOSE: To maximize sustainable management of pests by strengthening and improving coordination among state agency programs that implement IPM on state-owned and leased properties.

PROPOSAL:

- Requires state agencies to employ IPM to deliver sustainable reductions in risks from pests and pest management related strategies.
- Describes a coordinated and collaborative approach to implement IPM for all state agency pest management-related issues.
- Encourages improved management of pest risks by providing access to the latest methods and approaches to IPM.
- Advances IPM effectiveness through three meetings per year of agencies, development of progress reports, and establishment of processes that encourage interagency sharing of information.
- Establishes common outcomes and metrics for reporting and evaluation to track the status and trends in risk reduction from pest and pest management strategies, share successes and lessons learned, identify key problematic areas, and design cost-effective and sustainable programs.
- Seeks cost-savings and efficiencies.
- Reduces threats to Oregon's agriculture and forest products, ecosystems, and public health, particularly vulnerable Oregonians such as children and the elderly.
- Supports capacity building through IPM planning, training, data collection and analysis.
- Encourages new pathways of communication within and among agencies and establishes a proactive culture of innovation and coordination.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to integrated pest management; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 634.122, 634.650, 634.660 and 634.665.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. Sections 2 thru 6 of this 2013 Act are added to and made a part of ORS 634.650 to 634.665.

SECTION 2. (1) The State Integrated Pest Management Coordinator shall convene three times per year all state agencies and public universities listed under ORS 634.660 as the IPM Coordinating Committee (IPMCC) to:

- (a) Share the latest methods and approaches to IPM to reduce risks from pests and pest management related strategies.
- (b) Share successes and lessons learned in implementing IPM.
- (c) Develop an adaptive management approach to improving IPM implementation by state agencies and public universities.
- (d) Identify problem areas and priorities for risk reduction and develop innovative approaches to addressing those issues.
- (e) Report on and evolve a set of performance metrics that adequately describe state agencies' and public universities' progress in implementing IPM.
- (f) Share each agency's IPM plans to foster information sharing on the latest technological advances and protocols and to promote a consistent format among state IPM plans.
- (g) Improve delivery of sustainable reductions in risks from pests and pest management related strategies.
- (h) Evaluate the need for, and propose policies that support notification of pesticide use as a part of state agency and public university IPM programs.

(2) The IPMCC will coordinate and convene as appropriate with the Invasive Species Council to jointly address technical challenges associated with developing management approaches for severe invasive species threats.

(3) The IPMCC will seek public comment and input on a draft biennial report by holding a public meeting each biennium.

(4) The IPM Coordinating Committee may seek external funding to support additional costs associated with development of pest risk and IPM metrics or the use of new technologies and approaches to address specific pest threats.

(5) Oregon State University will change the position description of the State Integrated Pest Management Coordinator to enable 10% of his/her time to be allocated to the role of coordinator.

The coordinator will designate one of the Associate Directors of the Integrated Plant Protection Center at Oregon State University to co-chair this process in his/her absence, or to undertake specialized tasks where required.

(6) The IPM Coordinating Committee may develop cases for further resources to meet particular invasive pest threats or IPM challenges. These requests will be referred to the relevant state agencies and/or public universities.

SECTION 3. (1) The State Integrated Pest Management Coordinator shall report to the Oregon Legislature on a biennial basis to summarize the results of meetings with state agencies, including:

- (a) Advances, innovations, and trainings in pest risk reduction methodologies.
- (b) Key problem areas, including approaches taken to address those issues, as well as outstanding concerns.
- (c) Performance metric results, including progress towards goals of protecting Oregon's trade industries, ecosystems, water quality, and public health, particularly vulnerable Oregonians such as children and the elderly.
- (d) The status of IPM plans for each state agency with state-owned and leased properties.
- (e) Identification of examples of cost-savings and expenditures that result from IPM implementation.
- (f) Recommendations for program improvements.
- (g) Recommendations to the Legislature to update or amend the definition of Integrated Pest Management.

SECTION 4. ORS 634.650 is aligned with ORS 569.185 and amended to read:

(1) Integrated Pest Management, or IPM, is a science-based, decision-making process that identifies and reduces risks from pests and pest management related strategies. It coordinates the use of pest biology, environmental information, and current, comprehensive technology to prevent unacceptable levels of pest damage by economical means, while posing the least possible risk to people, property, resources, and the environment through a pest management approach that focuses on the prevention of pests through:

(a) A combination of techniques that may include, but need not be limited to, the use of:

- (A) Surveillance and monitoring;
- (B) Early detection;
- (C) Mechanical control;
- (D) The selective use of pesticides;
- (E) Cultural practices;
- (F) Modified land management; and
- (G) Biological controls;
- (H) Evaluating the effects and efficacy of pest treatments, and

(b) Control practices selected and applied to achieve desired pest management objectives in a manner that minimizes risks to human health, non-target organisms, native fish and wildlife habitat, watersheds and the environment.

(2) “Pest” means any vertebrate or invertebrate animal, pathogen, parasitic plant, weed or similar or allied organism which can cause disease or damage to crops, trees, shrubs, grasses or other plants, humans, animals or property.

(3) “State Integrated Pest Management Coordinator” means the Director of the Integrated Plant Protection Center at Oregon State University.

(4) “State agency” means the buildings, facilities, grounds, parking lots, roadways, rights-of-way, resources and natural areas and parks that are owned, occupied or controlled by a state agency.

SECTION 5. ORS 634.660 is amended to read:

634.660. Each of the following state agencies and public universities shall implement integrated pest management practices when carrying out [*the agency’s*] duties related to pest control:

- (1) State Department of Agriculture [*including the control of noxious weeds*].
- (2) State Department of Fish and Wildlife.
- (3) Department of Transportation.
- (4) State Parks and Recreation Department.
- (5) State Forestry Department.
- (6) Department of Corrections.
- (7) Oregon Department of Administrative Services.
- (8) The Department of State Lands.
- (9) The Department of Environmental Quality.**
- (10) The Oregon Health Authority.**

[(10)] **(11)** Each public university listed in ORS 352.002, for the public university’s own building and grounds maintenance.

One representative of each agency shall serve on the Coordinating Committee, with at least one of them also serving on the Invasive Species Council.

SECTION 6. ORS 634.665 is amended to read:

634.665. (1) Each state agency or [*institution*] **public university** listed under ORS 634.660 shall provide integrated pest management training for employees responsible for pest management. Training needs and approaches will be reviewed by the IPMCC, and recommendations will be made to state agencies.

(2) Each state agency or [*institution*] **public university** listed under ORS 634.660 shall designate an integrated pest management coordinator, **who** [*The integrated pest management coordinator*] shall manage the integrated pest management program of the agency or [**institution**] university. The plan coordinator must be a state employee, and may serve more than one state agency or public university.

[Note: deleted SECTION 7, i.e., change to ORS 452.010]