

Minutes
Contra Costa County IPM Advisory Committee
Subcommittee on IPM Decision-Making
April 21, 2016

Members present: Susan Captain, Jim Cartan, Jim Donnelly, Andrew Sutherland, Larry Yost

Members absent: None

Staff present: Tanya Drlik, IPM Coordinator; Jill Ray, Supervisor Andersen's Office

Members of the public present: none

1. Introductions

2. Public comment on items not on the agenda

There was none.

3. Choose a committee chair

Larry Yost nominated Andrew Sutherland as chair and Jim Donnelly volunteered as vice chair.

The slate passed unanimously:

AYES: Captain, Cartan, Donnelly, Sutherland, Yost

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

4. Discuss committee work plan

The committee agreed to create a decision-making document for management of vertebrate pests in Special Districts that will include moles, voles, gophers, and rats. The IPM Coordinator will interview the Special Districts' vertebrate pest contractor and draft the document for review at the next meeting. Committee members will familiarize themselves with management of these animals and send any documents or links they wish to share to the IPM Coordinator to forward to the group.

The committee wishes to begin the process of creating a decision-making document for vegetation management along roadsides and rights of way by researching vegetation management in surrounding counties. Members will collect as much information as possible from websites and/or a phone call to the vegetation manager in each county and report back at the next meeting.

Andrew Sutherland: San Mateo County

Susan Captain: Santa Clara County

Jim Cartan: Yolo County

Jim Donnelly: Alameda County, and if time allows, Solano

5. Decide on meeting schedule

The subcommittee will meet each month through August. The two dates decided upon so far are May 20 at 11 am and June 16 at 10 am.

6. Plan next agenda

Next Meeting: May 20, 11:00 am

- Review Special Districts' decision document (Susan Cohen, Special Districts Manager will be asked to attend)
- Hear reports on vegetation management in neighboring counties