

Minutes
Contra Costa Integrated Pest Management Advisory Committee
July 20, 2017

Members Present: Ben McCorriston, Pestec; Susan Captain, Public Member At Large; Jim Cartan, Save Mt. Diablo; Jim Donnelly, Public Member At Large; Matt Slattengren, Agriculture Department; Susan Heckly, County Fish and Wildlife Committee; Cece Sellgren (Chair), County Clean Water Program; Andrew Sutherland, Public Member at Large (arrived late); Wayne Lanier, Public Member Alternate

(9 members present, 7 voting members)

Members Absent: Jerry Casey, Public Works Facilities; Michael Kent, Health Services; Allison Knapp, Public Works Maintenance;

Staff Present: Jill Ray, Supervisor Andersen's office; Tanya Drlik, IPM Coordinator; Karen Adler, Agriculture Department

Members of the Public: Dr. Brad Hansen, UC Davis; Karen Perkins, Priscilla Witt, and KO, Parents for a Safer Environment; Carol Weed, Sustainable Rossmoor

Chair Sellgren was late so Jim Cartan chaired the meeting till she arrived.

1. Introductions
2. Public comment on items not on the agenda
Karen Perkins of Parents for a Safer Environment voiced concern about glyphosate (Roundup). (See attached)
3. Announcements
There were none.
4. Approve minutes from May 18, 2017
A motion was made and seconded (JD/SH) to approve the minutes as written.

The motion carried:
AYES: Captain, Cartan, Donnelly, Heckly, Lanier
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Kent, Sellgren, Sutherland

Cece Sellgren arrived and took over the meeting.

5. Hear presentation on glyphosate from Dr. Brad Hansen, UC Davis
Dr. Hansen is the Cooperative Extension Weed Specialist and Statewide Coordinator for Tree and Vine Crops.

Dr. Hansen gave his presentation (see attached).
6. Hear IPM Coordinator report
In the last two months, the IPM Coordinator
 - Staffed the Decision-Making and Outreach subcommittees
 - Finalized revisions to the County's Landscape Standards as suggested by the Decision-Making subcommittee; all revisions were accepted by the Public Works Department
 - Worked with Public Works staff to create a roadside vegetation management decision-making document
 - Worked with the Agriculture Department to update the ground squirrel decision-making document

- Created and revised a PowerPoint presentation for the Outreach subcommittee on pest management awareness for County in-home visitors
- Answered a number of questions from citizens about bed bugs

7. Hear reports from the Decision-Making and Outreach subcommittees

Decision-Making—Andrew Sutherland, chair; Susan Captain, Jim Cartan, Jim Donnelly, and Larry Yost, members

Andrew Sutherland reported the following:

- The subcommittee finished a review of the County’s landscape standards and sent suggested changes to Warren Lai at Public Works who accepted all the revisions.
- They have continued their evaluation of the County’s weed management on rights-of-way. Public Works has created a decision document for roadsides, and the subcommittee has been reviewing it and suggesting changes and additions. They will look at flood control facilities separately.
- The subcommittee agreed to review the existing decision document on managing ground squirrels in critical infrastructure.
- They are exploring creating a letter to the Board of Supervisors about additional funding for vegetation management along rights-of-way.

Outreach—Michael Kent, chair; Jim Cartan, Susan Heckly, and Andrew Sutherland, members

Jim Cartan reported the following:

- The committee reviewed the pest management awareness presentation created by the IPM Coordinator and made suggestions for changes. Committee members will give the presentation to County in-home visitors to help them identify pest problems in their clients’ homes. The presentation will also provide pest management resources for County staff.
- The committee is working on setting up times for presentations.

9. Hear reports from the Agriculture and Public Works Departments

There was insufficient time to hear these reports.

10. Plan agenda for next meeting

- Review the annual report outline
- Reports from subcommittee and the IPM Coordinator
- Reports from the Departments
- Panel on weed management in rights-of-way

Next Meetings: September 21, and November 16.

Respectfully submitted, Tanya Drlik, IPM Coordinator