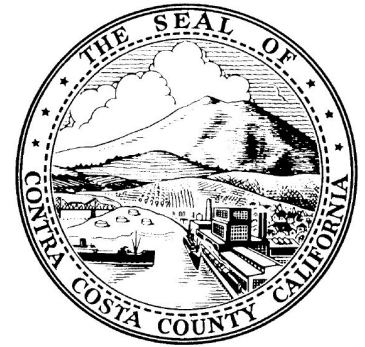


Minutes

CONTRA COSTA COUNTY INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT GRANTS & PILOTS SUBCOMMITTEE A Subcommittee of the IPM Advisory Committee



April 13, 2021
2:00 PM to 3:30 PM

This meeting was held remotely per Governor's Executive Order N-29-20.

Subcommittee Members Present: Chris Lau (Chair), Susan Heckly, Carlos Agurto, Michael Kent

Subcommittee Members Absent: Jim Donnelly, Andrew Sutherland

Staff Present: Dave Lavelle, Jocelyn LaRocque, Wade Finlinson

Members of the Public Present: Shirley Shelangoski, Ed Duarte

1. Call to order and introductions

The meeting convened at 2:00 PM

2. Public comment on items not on the agenda

None

3. Approve minutes from October 20, 2020

A motion was made and seconded (SH/MK) to approve minutes as written.

Ayes: Kent, Heckly, Lau

Noes: None

Abstain: Agurto

Absent: Sutherland, Donnelly

Public Speakers: None

Andrew Sutherland and Jim Donnelly joined the meeting during agenda item #4

4. Receive update from the IPM Coordinator on items previously considered by the Subcommittee

The IPM Coordinator provided an update on the grant application to the Department of Pesticide Regulation and the ongoing development of a potential pilot trial evaluating carbon monoxide injection for the control of ground squirrels. The Subcommittee discussed these efforts as well as Pestec's ground squirrel treatments around a facility in West County.

No formal action was taken.

Public Speakers: Ed Duarte, Shirley Shelangoski

5. Discuss potential IPM pilot projects and grants consistent with the County IPM Policy and advise staff regarding the prioritization of these pursuits.

Subcommittee members discussed an interest in exploring competitive planting as a viable option. A link was shared to USDA's [Regional Conservation Partnership Program](#) as a potential funding opportunity.

No formal action was taken.

Public Speakers: None

6. Elect a Subcommittee Vice Chair

A motion was made and seconded (AS/SH) to elect Michael Kent as Vice Chair.

Ayes: Agurto, Heckly, Sutherland, Donnelly, Lau

Noes: None

Abstain: Kent

Absent: None

Public Speakers: None

7. Adopt a 2021 meeting schedule, suggest agenda items for the next meeting, and adjourn.

The Subcommittee opted to schedule the next meeting via Doodle polling and discuss competitive planting.

The meeting adjourned at 2:58 PM

—end of meeting minutes—