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Board of Supervisors
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SUBJECT: PRESENTATION OF THE 2018 INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT REPORT AND REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF THE 2019 ALLOWED PRODUCTS LIST

Dear Board Members:

RECOMMENDATION:

1. Accept the Integrated Pest Management Program's Annual Report for 2018.
2. Approve the allowed products list for 2019.

SUMMARY:

This annual report provides the Marin County Board of Supervisors and the public a summary and analysis of the County's Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Program in 2018. The report meets all requirements set forth in County Ordinance #3598 and the IPM Policy, which includes a review of pesticide usage, program violations, product exemptions issued, and a summary of non-chemical IPM efforts. This report is also accompanied by a recommended list of allowed pesticide products for 2019.

The County's IPM Program covers 147 sites including regional parks, landscaped right of ways and traffic medians, multi-use pathways, public buildings, boat ramp facilities, remote radio antennae sites, pump stations, detention facilities, and other unique sites operated by the County of Marin. In 2018, 131 of the 147 sites were maintained without the use pesticides.

Key components of the County's IPM program summarized in the report include training and education, pest monitoring and identification, pest prevention and exclusion, the use of alternative pest control activities with a focus on mechanical, biological, and cultural practices, a robust volunteer program, and the use of chemical control measures.

Each site is evaluated on a regular basis and thresholds for pest problems are monitored. In the event that a pest exceeds an acceptable threshold, various management options are considered, with an emphasis given to non-chemical alternatives. The choice of treatment is determined based on severity, timing, public and worker safety, and available resources.

The IPM program also consists of monthly reporting, oversight of contracts and maintenance agreements involving pest management activities, website

administration, reporting and coordination with the Marin County Agricultural Commissioner and the State Department of Pesticide Regulation.

The County of Marin's IPM program continues to be a model program locally and nationally for other agencies managing pests in ornamental landscapes and within public structures because of the aggressive focus on non-chemical alternatives and the implementation of pilot programs and trials of new and emerging trends, technology and products.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Approval of the recommended action will have no fiscal impact.

REVIEWED BY:

<input type="checkbox"/> Dept. of Finance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A
<input type="checkbox"/> Human Resources	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County Counsel	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County Administrator	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A

Respectfully submitted,



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