Pesticide Subcommittee Meeting

2/10/20 at 12:30pm

Via WebEx

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Attendees: Katie Buckley, Chris Senske, Erin Morse, Richard Satsuma, Tim Hiatt, Eric Olsen, Kevin Jensen, Janet Gorrell, Annie Byerly, Mary Fee

First we went over some statistics on WSDA pesticide compliance statistics (now added into the Pesticides Recommendations for context). The WSDA can go after civil penalties in favor of the state if they find wrongdoing. They can also refer an investigation for criminal proceedings, and their report can be used by a beekeeper to go after their own civil penalties (sue the offending party.) Kevin also went over specifics of the cases, which he will do at the February task force meeting.

2.1 We aren’t sure about keeping some of these recommendations as we aren’t sure if they apply to Washington. We will create a list of questions in a research recommendation, with certain pesticide recommendations only being pushed forward if they turn out to actually be an issue. Tara will give a talk about current NRCS programs which may end with this specific recommendation getting heavily modified. Will also be edited to be more towards generalized pesticide reduction.

2.2 This recommendation may be too overarching. We will leave it in for now, and let support votes decide. People who don’t like a recommendation should include information in the Challenges section about why.

2.3 Similar to 2.1, unknown if really applies to Washington.

2.4 Janet will rewrite it as a pilot program.

2.5 Edited to reflect importance (and excellence) of current programs. Katie will get pesticide education people to review. (They will also give a presentation at the February meeting on their current programs.)

2.6 Some major flaws in this one. Tim will steal parts of 2.6 that we like and put them in 2.9. (Then delete 2.6).

2.8 Deleted. (Overlaps other recommendations.)

2.9 We like it, will likely undergo further revision.

2.10 Needs editing to reflect current WSDA program. Kevin will send me current pesticide investigation manual to send to task force. Group is also in favor of FieldWatch tracking software.

2.11 Kevin and I will work with pesticide education and combine 2.11 and 2.5.

2.12 Tim will pull out the good bits and put them in 2.9. Also, research required.

2.13 Tim will combine with 2.9.

2.14 Get Mary to review. No complaints.
2.15 Combine 2.10 and 2.15. (Katie and Kevin will work on that.)
2.16 Research required, and light on how to implement.
2.17 and 2.18 were deleted.
2.19 Research required.
2.20 Research required.
2.21 Deleted.
2.22 Research required.
2.25 Mary Fee and Allison Halpern need to review on if this is something possible or wanted. (Katie will remind).
2.26 Add list of all third party programs. Not sure really fits in Pesticides. Will require more discussion.
A research recommendation will be added with our questions. (See 5.11)
Who is planning on attending the February 26 meeting in person?