

DATE: January 22, 2016
TO: IPM Commission Members
FROM: Chris Chamberlain, IPM Coordinator
Re: 2015 Fourth Quarter Exemptions and Violations Summary

MESSAGE:

Exemptions

The following exemptions have been issued during the 4th quarter:

- 10/30/15 An exemption was issued for an application of Cimi Shield, a soy based contact pesticide that was needed to treat a bed bug infestation at the Health and Wellness Center. The reason for the exemption was due to the fact that the product was not on the allowed products list. The application used 4 ozs. of Cimi Shield and was made by ATCO Pest Control, the County's Structural Pest Control contractor.
- 12/7/15 An exemption was issued for an application of Aquamaster herbicide to be made to the center medians along Sir Francis Drake Blvd. from S. Eliseo to College Ave. as well as the center median along Bon Air Road from Sir Francis Drake Blvd. to the frontage of Creekside Park. The exemption was due to the fact that the product falls under the exemption category of the Allowed Products list. The application was needed due to the emergence of cool season broadleaf weeds and grasses germinating in the center medians. The treatment was made while the weeds were young and required the least amount of material in an effort to prevent traffic hazards as well as minimize the time in which workers must spend working in the medians surrounded by high speed traffic which poses a significant risk.

Violations

- On October 26, 2015, The Shooter Company, a Landscape Maintenance Contractor that performs routine maintenance at 1600 and 1650 Los Gamos in San Rafael. The Contractor made an application of Spectricide (1/2 lb) to a small area of ornamental turf to control sod web worms at 1600 Los Gamos. The Contractor did not request consent, post a notice of application or properly report the application to the County of Marin. The Contractors staff did not realize that the IPM ordinance applied to 1600 Los Gamos as it does not apply to 1650 Los Gamos which is immediately adjacent but not owned

by the County of Marin. The contractor was sent a notice of violation and subsequently communicated with County staff the confusion and admission of the violation. The Contractor was issued a copy of the IPM ordinance, policy, allowed products list and forms associated with requesting and proper noticing of applications.

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