

Department of Pesticide Regulation: Update on State and Community-Specific Strategies

July 8, 2019

Proposed Measures Evaluated by DPR

Specific measures regarding pesticides for the Community Emission Reduction Plans:

1. Ban all untarped applications of 1,3-D

2.Reduce 1,3-d annual township cap (the cap is currently 136,000 pounds per 6x6 mile township) and/or establish cap reductions on a more granular basis to address 1,3-d spikes we see in certain sections.

3. Notification:

- Make Notices of Intent (NOIs), required for restricted pesticide applications, publicly available online, along with CAC approvals/denials of these NOIs.
- Provide real-time 48-hour notification via text and email on an opt-in basis for all drift- prone applications within a mile of schools.

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2. Sequoia Elementary at Mannel and Fresno. The playground at this school is adjacent to agricultural operations and very near to several oil wells. The playground is also about 3,200 ft from the CRC crude oil processing facility. Within 1,000 ft of the playground are three different oil well locations with one or more wells. Monitoring for VOC emissions plus NOx and diesel soot are important at this location. The ongoing pesticide monitoring is also elemental to this process.

3. The Mexican Colony at Burbank and Mannel plus Cherokee Strip along Beech between Burbank and San Diego. A large segment of South Shafter lives in these two unincorporated communities. Cherokee Strip is ½ mile north of the Plains LPG facility also on Beech. La Colonia is ½ mile from the JP Oil crude oil processing facility on Imperial. Both areas are surrounded by agriculture. Monitoring should be similar to Sequoia Elementary for VOC, NOx, and diesel soot, plus potential toxic emissions.

4. Airport Industrial Area near Lerdo and Zerker Rd plus Hwy 99 on the east side. Monitoring in this area should be for NOx, diesel soot, VOC and PM2.5 plus potential toxic emissions. Many different industries are in this area including carrot and garlic processing and manufacturing of asphalt roofing material and tar paper.

5. Dairy monitoring on Wildwood between Riverside and Burbank. There are two large, freestall type dairies at this location, across the road from each other. One has received CDFA funding and built a digester with a natural gas generator. Monitoring for quantities of ammonia, VOC, NOx, hydrogen sulphide, ethanol, methanol, methane, and N2O would all give useful information at this location. Also, an analysis of all the trucking emissions at this location would be important. Note: while this location is 9 miles from the center of Shafter it is less than 6 miles from Maple School which is attended by many Shafter residents. It has been selected, in part, because it has a bio-digester.

6. Plains LPG, already mentioned in reference to La Colonia and Cherokee Strip, needs special fenceline monitoring because of its apparent history of violations with the air district the past few years. Monitoring for VOC and NOx is important here plus more frequent inspections would be appropriate.

7. CRC and JP Oil processing facilities should also be monitored directly and receive more frequent inspections for any violations of their permits.

 High Speed Rail construction activity should be monitored for diesel soot, NOx, PM10, PM2.5, etc. When construction is heavy some special monitoring should take place. This area is along the current BNSF railroad tracks between Poplar and Poso (in Wasco).

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4. Ban all aerial applications of pesticide TACs

5. Establish 24/7 buffer zones of 1 mile for all pesticide TACs for all sensitive sites, including homes, hospitals, labor camps and schools

6. Ask for an evaluation of all carcinogenic TACs including, pesticides, and then create emissions reduction plans in line with that analysis

7. Ask for an evaluation of all reproductive toxicity TACs, including pesticides, and then create emissions reduction plans in line with that analysis

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Pesticide Toxic Air Contaminant Regulatory Process

State law requires DPR to follow a specific process to evaluate and develop control measures for pesticide TACs.

The pesticide TAC process includes:

- Analyses of available data,
- Consultation with other agencies (including the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment, OEHHA),
- Scientific peer review,
- Development and implementation of control measures, and
- Opportunity for public comment.

DPR must follow this legal process; therefore, it cannot arbitrarily introduce emission reduction measures including reduction of township caps, prohibition of applications, or establishment of buffer zones without strong scientific analysis.

Rank of Pounds Used	Pesticide	Number of Applications Annual Avg	Pounds Used Annual Avg	Group	Group Toxic Air Contaminant		Proposition 65
1	MINERAL OIL	933	837,419	Oil			
2	PETROLEUM OIL, UNCLASSIFIED	493	795,875	Oil			
3	1,3-DICHLOROPROPENE	31	244,616	Fumigant	\checkmark	\checkmark	Cancer
4	SULFUR	988	228,710				
5	GLYPHOSATE, POTASSIUM SALT	1,558	181,833				Cancer
6	POTASSIUM N-METHYLDITHIOCARBAMATE (MITC)	7	86,314	Fumigant	\checkmark	\checkmark	
7	ALPHA-(PARA-NONYLPHENYL)-OMEGA- HYDROXYPOLY(OXYETHYLENE)	2,378	56,556	Adjuvant			
8	PARAQUAT DICHLORIDE	1,081	54,947			\checkmark	
9	GLYPHOSATE, ISOPROPYLAMINE SALT	490	46,136				Cancer
10	METHYLATED SOYBEAN OIL	1,178	43,572	Adjuvant			
11	PENDIMETHALIN	371	34,212				
12	AMMONIUM SULFATE	817	27,988	Adjuvant			
13	CHLOROTHALONIL	129	22,943				Cancer
14	LIME-SULFUR	19	21,889				
15	CHLORPYRIFOS	197	21,273	OP	✓	\checkmark	Developmental
16	CHLOROPICRIN	8	20,337	Fumigant	\checkmark	\checkmark	
17	ZIRAM	38	20,285				
18	PETROLEUM OIL, PARAFFIN BASED	178	19,784	Oil			
19	FATTY ACIDS, C16-C18 AND C18-UNSATURATED, METHYL ESTERS	550	18,179	Adjuvant			
20	OXYFLUORFEN	1,019	17,860				

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21	OLEIC ACID, METHYL ESTER	279	16,264	Oil			
22	GLUFOSINATE-AMMONIUM	445	16,021				
23	HYDROGEN CYANAMIDE	21	15,178				
24	PETROLEUM DISTILLATES, REFINED	4	12,355	Oil			
25	BIFENAZATE	227	11,107				
26	KAOLIN	8	10,641				
27	METHYL BROMIDE	2	9,515	Fumigant	\checkmark	✓	
28	METAM-SODIUM (MITC)	4	8,703	Fumigant	\checkmark	\checkmark	
29	METHOXYFENOZIDE	336	8,558				
30	COPPER HYDROXIDE	178	8,183				
31	PROPARGITE	33	7,924				Cancer, Dev
32	POTASSIUM PHOSPHITE	73	7,355				
33	CYPRODINIL	325	6,729				
34	4-NONYLPHENOL, FORMALDEHYDE RESIN, PROPOXYLATED	644	6,484	Adjuvant			
35	COPPER OXYCHLORIDE	100	6,241				
36	DIMETHYLPOLYSILOXANE	1,085	5,749	Adjuvant			
37	SODIUM CHLORATE	21	5,464				
38	ORYZALIN	43	5,397				Cancer
39	N,N-BIS-(2-OMEGA- HYDROXYPOLY(OXYETHYLENE)ETHYL) ALKYLAMINE, ALKYL DERIVED FROM TALLOW FATTY ACIDS	801	5,293	Adjuvant			
40	LECITHIN	340	5,280	Adjuvant			

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41	PETROLEUM DISTILLATES, AROMATIC	72	5,245	Oil			
42	ISOPROPYL ALCOHOL	450	4,768				
43	PROPYLENE GLYCOL	234	4,707	Adjuvant			
44	PHOSPHORIC ACID	414	4,652				
45	CITRIC ACID	580	4,469				
46	TALL OIL FATTY ACIDS	479	4,366	Adjuvant			
47	COPPER SULFATE (BASIC)	77	4,312				
48	SETHOXYDIM	204	4,094				
49	IPRODIONE	133	4,056				Cancer
50	BUPROFEZIN	85	3,923				
51	ALPHA-UNDECYL-OMEGA- HYDROXYPOLY(OXYETHYLENE)	235	3,522	Adjuvant			
52	UREA DIHYDROGEN SULFATE	41	3,424				
53	POLYBUTENES	551	3,315				
54	BIFENTHRIN	265	3,301				
55	ALPHA-(PARA-NONYLPHENYL)-OMEGA- HYDROXYPOLY(OXYETHYLENE), PHOSPHATE ESTER	516	3,242	Adjuvant			
56	CRYOLITE	12	3,104				
57	AMMONIUM PROPIONATE	333	3,056	Adjuvant			
58	CHLORANTRANILIPROLE	403	2,949				
59	METCONAZOLE	343	2,861				
60	HYDROTREATED PARAFFINIC SOLVENT	65	2,851	Oil			

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61	METHYL ESTERS OF COTTONSEED OIL	52	2,793	Adjuvant			
62	MANCOZEB	32	2,754		\checkmark		Cancer
63	CALCIUM HYDROXIDE	2	2,721	Adjuvant			
64	ALPHA-ALKYL (C9-C16)-OMEGA- HYDROXYPOLY(OXYETHYLENE)	203	2,687	Adjuvant			
65	ALPHA-ALKYL (C9-C11)-OMEGA- HYDROXYPOLY(OXYETHYLENE)	450	2,661	Adjuvant			
66	FATTY ACIDS, METHYL ESTERS	50	2,646	Adjuvant			
67	PENTHIOPYRAD	123	2,612				
68	SPIRODICLOFEN	35	2,585				Cancer
69	ETOXAZOLE	303	2,502				
70	MODIFIED PHTHALIC GLYCEROL ALKYD RESIN	274	2,438	Adjuvant			
71	EPTC	15	2,433				
72	BUTYL ALCOHOL	421	2,262				
73	GLYCEROL	103	2,240	Adjuvant			
74	ALPHA-ALKYLARYL-OMEGA- HYDROXYPOLY(OXYETHYLENE)	16	2,195	Adjuvant			
75	FLUOPYRAM	274	2,104				
76	CYFLUMETOFEN	171	2,096				
77	DODINE	28	2,094				
78	HEXYTHIAZOX	113	2,075				
79	FENPYROXIMATE	184	2,019				
80	PYRACLOSTROBIN	278	1,947				

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81	ALPHA-PINENE BETA-PINENE COPOLYMER	115	1,893	Adjuvant			
82	BOSCALID	167	1,859				
83	PROPIONIC ACID	99	1,776				
84	ETHEPHON	57	1,761	OP			
85	LINURON	38	1,733				Developmental
86	FATTY ACIDS, MIXED	284	1,671	Adjuvant			
87	TEBUCONAZOLE	232	1,662				
88	S-METOLACHLOR	22	1,626				
89	2-(3-HYDROXYPROPYL)-HEPTA-METHYL TRISILOXANE, ETHOXYLATED, ACETATE	100	1,619	Adjuvant			
90	DIETHYLENE GLYCOL	240	1,555				
91	IMIDACLOPRID	99	1,500				
92	POTASSIUM BICARBONATE	9	1,410				
93	CLOFENTEZINE	81	1,410				
94	SAFLUFENACIL	521	1,393				
95	PYRIMETHANIL	93	1,390				
96	METHOMYL	30	1,314			\checkmark	
97	DIFENOCONAZOLE	100	1,301				
98	BACILLUS THURINGIENSIS, SUBSP. KURSTAKI, STRAIN ABTS-351, FERMENTATION SOLIDS AND SOLUBLES	25	1,256				
99	POLYOXIN D, ZINC SALT	321	1,243				
100	TRIFLOXYSTROBIN	198	1,208				

Pesticides classified as TACs, RMs, or are included in Proposition 65, and which are used on agricultural crops within 7 miles of Shafter during 2013-2017.

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Considerations:

- DPR does not currently receive NOIs only local CAC office receives them.
 - Additionally, CAC does not receive confirmation that application that an application has occurred until a PUR has been submitted (range: a few days to a month after)
- A total of eight (8) pesticides used within 7 miles of Shafter are classified as RMs, with an average of 1,359 applications each year.