

Clackamas Growers and Applicators



KEEP IT | AVOID STATE AND FEDERAL REGULATION OF LOCAL! PESTICIDES

The Goal: Develop a five-year strategic plan for pesticide management

Together, local growers and applicators will consider input from potentially impacted stakeholders. We'll review local water quality information and factors that impact the application of pesticides. Collaboratively, we'll create a strategic plan to reduce or eliminate the impacts of pesticides in the Clackamas Watershed.

It's voluntary: Innovators in agriculture from growers to crop advisors are coming together with landscapers, golf course owners, city and county parks and roads managers to explore voluntary changes in pesticide use with local expertise.

It's non-regulatory: This model has been used in other watersheds throughout the state to develop local plans to manage pesticides, thereby avoiding additional regulations.

Local participation will ensure local control:

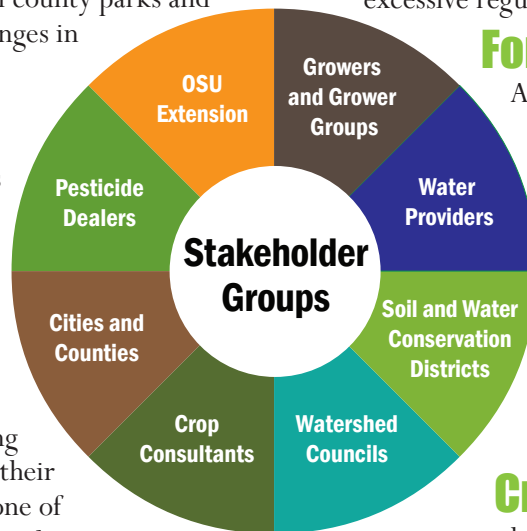
Farmers and land managers face mounting regulatory and market pressure to make their operations more sustainable. A cornerstone of local planning is equipping growers and applicators with information and tools that fit their specific local needs. Stakeholders will introduce new technology and best practices for cost effective and environmentally responsible pest management.

Collaborative planning develops local solutions that target local issues; leaving growers and applicators free from excessive regulation and reporting requirements.

Forming a council:

A Coordinating Council will be the group that develops a Strategic Plan specific to the Clackamas area. The council needs voluntary members from user groups involved in local agriculture and land management - from growers to crop consultants. These groups will provide information critical to understanding how key pesticides are applied and what factors are contributing to pesticides in our water.

Creating a plan: In order to ensure the success of the pesticide management in the Clackamas Watershed, a Strategic Plan will be developed by the Council with input from partner groups. The Strategic Plan will provide a "roadmap" for applicators to reduce key pesticides in key Clackamas locations.



Timeline: Between October 2019 and July 2021, the Coordinating Council will be formed and a strategic planning document will be created to address the key pesticides causing the greatest harm in their respective sub-watersheds.

What's involved? Together, the Council will formulate the Strategic Planning document. The plan should address all major factors that pertain to the reduction or elimination of pesticide residues in surface and groundwater resources in the Clackamas Watershed. The Council will review drafts of the Strategic Plan and provide input into its final development.

WILL YOU BECOME A PARTICIPATING STAKEHOLDER?

Time Commitment For Stakeholders:

October 2019 - March 2020

Voluntary stakeholders will attend a series of 3-5 advisory meetings to provide information on pesticide application.

WILL YOU JOIN US ON THE COORDINATING COUNCIL?

Time Commitment For Coordinating Council:

April 2020 - September 2020

The Coordinating Council will hold planning meetings with partners and Oregon State University

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