



September Board Cycle

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Date: August 16, 2019
To: Theodore Lipscomb, Sr., Chairman, County Board of Supervisors
From: Guy Smith, Executive Director, Milwaukee County Parks
Subject: Request for approval of Milwaukee County Parks Integrated Pesticide Management Plan (IPMP) –
ACTION

Issue

Milwaukee County Department of Parks, Recreation and Culture currently follows a ‘least-use’ chemical practice, which is not currently available to the public in a formal document.

Background

In response to File No. 19-518, which requested the Milwaukee County Department of Parks, Recreation and Culture develop a pesticide use policy for approval by the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors, the Parks Departments has put into writing its Milwaukee County Parks Integrated Pest Management Plan (IPMP). All Milwaukee County Park divisions will evaluate and give preference to non-pesticide management practices, use reasonably available alternative pest control methods, and will minimize their pesticide use through Parks IPMP.

Pesticide use may be considered if:

- a. The non-toxic methods of pest control, such as Cultural Controls, Physical Controls, Mechanical Controls, and Biological Controls have been shown to be ineffective based on-site conditions; and,
- b. Monitoring has indicated that the pest will cause unacceptable ecological, health, or safety hazards, or an unacceptable reduction in the intended use of the property.

If a pest control program is performed through a private contractor, the contracts for these services will require the contractor to comply with the Parks Pesticide Management plan. The contractor must furnish the IPM Coordinator for the division served with the following for each pesticide applied:

- a. Specific pesticide product that is desired and rate of use prior to application. Milwaukee County Parks reserves the right to deny the use of any pesticide that it deems inappropriate for site conditions.
- c. Date, purpose, location, amount of product, and amount of active ingredient for each application.
- d. Product labeling and material safety data sheets for each product applied.
- e. Documentation of applicator certification and conformance with all Federal and State permits. Monitoring should not be solely performed by the contractor hired to treat the pest problem. The IPM Coordinator or appropriate staff should review a portion of the affected area for quality control purposes.

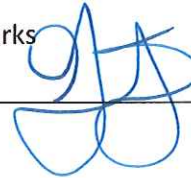
All divisions will maintain appropriate records on pest monitoring data collected, pest control actions attempted (both non-chemical and chemical), and results of pest control activity. The Parks Departments will submit annual report to the County Board for the March 2020 cycle.

Recommendation

Milwaukee County Department of Parks, Recreation and Culture has formalized their pesticide and herbicide usage through and Integrated Pest Management Plan and seeks Board approval of this Plan and recommends approval of the plan as the policy of Milwaukee County.

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Approved By: Guy Smith, Executive Director



Attachments

- Attachment 1 – Milwaukee County Parks Integrated Pest Management Plan

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