



# School Integrated Pest Management (IPM)



## Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR) Brown Bag Lunch Presentation

The Healthy Schools Act is a right-to-know law that strives to reduce pesticide exposure in sensitive populations, including schools and child care centers. Join us for an overview of DPR's School IPM Program and future plans to help California schools reduce pesticide use.

Thursday, June 5, 2014, 11:45 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.  
CalEPA Sierra Hearing Room, 1001 J Street, Sacramento



### SPEAKERS:

Brian Leahy - Director, DPR

Laurie Brajkovich - Senior Environmental Scientist, DPR

Rob Corley - Field Representative, California Department of Education

Mitchell Perez - IPM Coordinator and Grounds Equipment Supervisor, Kern High School District

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*DPR's School IPM Program facilitates the voluntary adoption of IPM policies and programs in schools throughout California, and assists school districts with their implementation of the Healthy Schools Act.*

**View "live" webcast at <http://www.calepa.ca.gov/broadcast/>**

### AGENDA

**11:45 - Registration, Sign-In**

12:00 - Welcome and Introduction: Brian Leahy, Director - Department of Pesticide Regulation

12:05 - Introduction to the Healthy Schools Act and Department of Pesticide Regulation Program:  
Laurie Brajkovich, Senior Environmental Scientist - Department of Pesticide Regulation

12:20 - Department of Education Update: Rob Corley, Field Representative - California Department of Education

12:30 - School District Perspective: Mitchell Perez, IPM Coordinator and Grounds Equipment Supervisor - Kern High School District

12:50 - *Questions and Answers*

**1:00 - Adjourn**

Event information: <https://www.facebook.com/events/504711719630957/?context=create&source=49#>

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## *SPEAKER BIOS*



**Brian Leahy** – Director, Department of Pesticide Regulation. Brian R. Leahy was appointed director of the California Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR) on Feb. 2, 2012, by Governor Brown. Prior to joining DPR, Mr. Leahy served as assistant director for the Division of Land Resource Protection in the California Department of Conservation for five years. His focus was the potential for maximizing the benefits from open space management, including farmland management, to improve public health, transportation, biodiversity, climate change adaptation and natural resources.



**Laurie Brajkovich** – Senior Environmental Scientist, Pest Management and Licensing, Department of Pesticide Regulation. Laurie Brajkovich is the program lead and supervisor for DPR's School IPM Program. She graduated from California State University, Sacramento in Environmental Science and Biology, and has fifteen years of experience in managing environmental compliance both in private industry and with state regulatory agencies. Ms. Brajkovich has been working at DPR on the School IPM Program for the past 5 years.



**Rob Corley** – Field Representative, California Department of Education. Rob Corley handles IPM and Healthy Schools Act questions from districts, parents, and neighbors. Based in Oxnard, he serves the coastal counties from Santa Cruz through Ventura, and the high desert areas from Kern/Inyo counties through Imperial County. First introduced to IPM and pesticide issues after the Mound School chlorpyrifos drift incident in 2000, he worked with the Ventura Ag Future Alliance, local farm bureaus, and agricultural associations throughout the region on improved planning for the ag-urban interface. Mr. Corley has worked with school facilities since 1975, after an undergraduate degree in Planning & Public Policy and a MBA from UC Irvine.



**Mitchell Perez** – IPM Coordinator and Grounds Equipment Supervisor, Kern High School District. The Kern High School District (KHSD) is California's largest high school district with more than 35,000 students and 3,500 employees. He is responsible for ensuring that the notification, posting, and recordkeeping requirements of the Healthy Schools Act are carried out. A graduate of Bakersfield High School, Mr. Perez started working for KHSD in 1975 and has since worked his way up the ranks from custodian to now Grounds Equipment Supervisor for the Maintenance & Operations Department. KHSD was awarded a DPR Innovator Award in 2002 for developing a model school IPM program and for innovations in IPM leadership and outreach in schools.