What We Do At DPR

The California Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR) protects public health and the environment by fostering sustainable pest management and regulating pesticides.

Pest management plays an integral role in the stability of California's healthy food supply, supports growers and agricultural sustainability, and protects the health of our urban and rural communities and our environment.

Evaluating pesticides for risks and impacts before they are registered in CA

DPR evaluates pesticide effects on human health and the environment through comprehensive review of studies before a pesticide can be registered for sale or use in California. This evaluation informs both registration decisions and supports DPR's continuous evaluation of pesticides to mitigate risks and impacts to people and the environment.

Fostering Sustainable Pest Management

DPR advances safe, effective, sustainable pest management through Integrated Pest Management (IPM) technical assistance and outreach, providing tools to protect endangered species, providing compliance assistance for the Healthy Schools Act, offering grants and tracking pesticide use statewide.

DPR's Continuous evaluation includes monitoring the air, groundwater and surface water for pesticides and performs comprehensive risk assessments for all populations (workers, children and other sensitive groups) to inform DPR's understanding of pesticide impacts and regulatory actions to mitigate risks to people and the environment.

Continuously evaluating pesticides and mitigating risks to people and the environment

DPR's Vision: A California where pest management is safe, effective and sustainable for everyone.

DPR partners with County Agricultural Commissioners to enforce pesticide use laws and regulations, providing training and

oversight for local enforcement. DPR

manages the required licenses for pesticide

applicators and conducts residue monitoring and compliance inspections across the state.

DPR commits to a deliberate, inclusive and equity-centered approach to its work. The department conducts regular outreach and engagement with all stakeholders. Internally, DPR's leadership legal, administrative and technical support teams promote excellence and innovation across the department.

Working together to continuously improve

Enforcing Pesticide Use Laws

Sustainable pest management is a holistic, whole-system approach to managing pests that builds on the concept of IPM with broader consideration of human health and social equity, environmental protections, and economic vitality.

For more information about the California Department of Pesticide Regulation, visit the website at <u>https://www.cdpr.ca.gov/dprabout.htm</u>.

