

PARC Board Meeting Minutes

DATE	LOCATION	START TIME	END TIME
1/19/2022	Virtual meeting	9 AM	Noon

FACILITATOR	CONTACT EMAIL	CONTACT PHONE
Warren Hanson	PARC@oda.state.or.us	971-600-7447

PARC Member Agencies Present

Warren Hanson- Interim PARC Board Coordinator, *Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA)*

Rose Kachadoorian- PARC Board Administrator, Program Manager (*ODA*)

Charisse Pizarro-Osilla- Director, *Oregon Poison Center (OPC)*

Stacy Savona- Forest Practices Field Support Coordinator, *Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF)*

Jamie Kometz- Special Operations Unit, *Oregon State Fire Marshal (OSFM)*

Anne Hayden-Lesmeister- Water Quality, Quantity Program, *Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW)*

Garnet Cooke- Pesticide Coordinator, *Oregon Occupational Safety and Health (OR-OSHA)*

Kate Jackson- Western Regional Liaison, *Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)*

PARC Consultants Present

William Lackey- Statewide Vegetation Management Coordinator, *Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT)*

Other Persons Present

Amy Cross- Project Coordinator, *National Pesticide Information Center (NPIC)*

Jennifer Eisele- Pesticides Manager, *Beyond Toxics*

Mary Anne Cooper- *Oregon Farm Bureau (OFB)*

Matthew Bucy- Pesticide Product Registration Specialist (*ODA*)

Michael Babbitt- Case Reviewer (*ODA*)

Brittney Owen- Pesticide Investigator (*ODA*)

Josh Seeds- *Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)*

Kaci Buhl- Associate Professor PSEP, *Oregon State University (OSU)*

Tiffany Monroe- Grass Roots Coordinator, *Oregonians for Food and Shelter (OFS)*

Introductions and Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 9:00 a.m. with housekeeping and review of the agenda. November's PARC Board minutes were reviewed and recommended for revision as needed.

Agency Updates

Curtis Cude (Not present)

PARC Board Co-Chair, *OHA*

- 1) None

Stacy Savona (For Nathan Agalzoff)

Forest Practices Field Support Coordinator, *ODF*

- 1) None.

Garnet Cooke

Pesticide Coordinator, *Oregon Occupational Safety and Health, OR-OSHA*

- 1) Pesticide Symposium, March 15th-16th, 2022

- a. This will take place at the new ag center at Chemeketa Community College. We have a contingency plan to have the speakers meet there, as they have better technology for broadcasting.
- b. I will be reaching out to different folks to confirm some topics.

2) Personnel

- a. Garnet Cook will be retiring March 31st 2022. There will be a new PARC representative from OR-OSHA.

Charisse Pizarro-Osilla

Director, OPC

1. None.

Kate Jackson

Western Regional Liaison, DEQ

1) Personnel

- a. Kate Jackson will be retiring from DEQ. New appointee for DEQ PARC representation still unknown.

- 2) Collaboration and Multi-agency investigations have been very good.

- 3) EQC actions have been much more around the Klamath actions, the greenhouse gas program and climate action that has been taken. Doubling the rebate for EB purchased by lower and moderate-income folks.

Will Lackey

Statewide Vegetation Management Coordinator, ODOT

1. None.

Rose Kachadoorian

PARC Board Administrator, Pesticide Program Manager, ODA

1. Personnel

- a. We have hired a new certification and training specialist, Brittney Jones. She is a PhD entomologist with a strong urban entomology and water background. She will be leading a review of some of our draft pre-licensing training modules that have been developed by OSU, contracted with Kaci Buhl. She will also be exploring the new study material for general pest exam. We want to make sure that whatever study material we have is really focused on reducing possible exposure to humans while having the most efficacious applications. We want to make sure we are addressing a human health aspect.
- b. Ted Bunch is officially an OR-OSHA employee and will not be returning to the PARC Board Coordinator position. We will be advertising for a permanent position over the next one to two months. Currently Warren Hanson is in the limited-duration position.

2. Stop Sale Removal Order

- a. Eco-Might Pro Weed and Grass Killer, Eco-Might LLC- This has been marketed as organic; however, it contains Glyphosate, Pyrethrin, and Bifenthrin. Our agency is working with the manufacturer.

3. Pesticide Stewardship Partnership

- a. We have four collection events scheduled for pesticide waste. They will take place on April 1st, 2022 (Rogue Transfer Station, White City), April 2nd, 2022 (Pendleton Convention Center), April 16th, 2022 (Douglas County Fairgrounds), and April 30th, 2022 (in Ontario). These are all listed on the Pesticide Stewardship Partnership website.

4. Chlorpyrifos

- a. We are receiving a lot of calls from people concerning the purchasing of Chlorpyrifos. We are waiting for the federal register notice to come out. As far as we are concerned the tolerance is being revoked at the end of February. We are currently advising people not to stock up due to a potential disposal issue.

Amy Cross

Project Coordinator, NPIC

1. Social Media

- a. There has been a Facebook Live Event proposed for early March. We will be partnering with the American Association of Poison Control Centers to develop talks for this event.
- b. We have a lot of outreach planned for the month of February concerning pesticide safety education.

Kaci Buhl

Associate Professor PSEP, OSU

1. Pre-license Training

- a. ODA has been working with us for the past two years to develop this training. We took the Core Manual and made a one-hour module for each chapter. We are hopeful that his will be a “study at your own pace” kind of tool. Our next step is to get the whole thing translated into Spanish. Everything has been drafted. Four of the modules are already online. We are really looking forward to working with Brittny Jones on improving them and getting the rest of them posted
2. PSEP
 - a. Based on survey results from applicators-
 - i. We determined that next year we will open smaller facilities.
 - ii. We asked the question, “Should we update the National Manual for Aerial Applicators?”
 - iii. Folks would like to see more information on drone applications in the Aerial Applicator Manual and more emphasis on inversions and drift reduction technology.

PARC Updates

Warren Hanson

Interim PARC Board Coordinator, ODA

1. Vale Airport Case
 - a. We just had our fifth and final coordination meeting on the incident. We are currently wrapping things up. This is currently under case review at ODA about a potential enforcement action. They have some ability to cite for improper storage, although they do not have authority for forced clean up or removal. EPA and DEQ are still looking into the missing 40 containers that disappeared from the leased site. They are also looking into potential enforcement concerning that issue. The State Fire Marshal has had some contact with both the applicator and operator. Both have had minimal cooperation. There have been some issues with determining overall responsibility.
2. Coordination and Collaboration
 - a. I have met with each of the board members individually to discuss how we can improve the coordination and communication between ODA and each of the other agencies.
 - b. There is a desire for more interagency sharing of data relating to cases numbers, test results, and the closing of cases. They want to be able to have a better understanding of situations as they evolve in real time. Folks have expressed appreciation for PARC taking some of the pressure off their field staff by handling referrals.
 - c. Members would like to know what kinds of records need to be shared with each agency. Specifically, who needs to hear what kind of information related to a case and what kind of cases cannot be shared due to privacy laws such as HIPAA.
3. Special Projects
 - a. We are currently working on a fact sheet for pesticide storage, transport, as well as revamping an old pesticide contact sheet. These fact sheets are in the beginning stages of development.
 - b. I also recently met with ODA Information Systems about updates to the PARC database. I have gathered feedback from Michael Babbitt and Christina Higby and have already implemented some of their recommendations.
 - c. Biennial Report work has commenced with some assistance and direction from Christina Higby. This will be a big undertaking. I am working to get a lot of the old cases (mostly from 2020) entered into the database. We have only had 10 additional cases come in since beginning this work. It has been very slow.

PARC Board Special Presentations

House Bill 2344- Rose Kachadoorian

Passed in 2021. According to the water treatment systems, wipes are causing damage, clogging, and costs to repair. Individuals are flushing these wipes despite the labels instructing them not to. This house bill indicates what types of wipes are captured and have significant potential to be flushed. When the bill first came out, we put a fiscal to it for the resources to review labels. There are specific criteria for FIFRA labels in the bill. There is also a section in the bill that indicates compliance with the bill is not a requirement for pesticide registration. We are currently reaching out to other states to find out what they are doing as well.

PARC Case Discussion

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Warren Hanson, Interim PARC Coordinator (ODA)

PARC CASE NO. 22-0102 *We had a caller that lives on a 62-acre organic seed farm who was alleging that her neighbor had made multiple pesticide applications and they were concerned about risk to wildlife in the areas surrounding their property. One individual on the property had some negative health effects allegedly associated with pesticide exposure.*

PARC CASE NO. 22-0106 *A cannabis farm had been recently demolished, and there were debris piles and leaking chemicals into a nearby creek. Dead fish were also found in the area. There was a claim that the county was responsible for the demolition of the farm itself.*

PARC CASE NO. 22-0108 *ODA received a call from claiming that an application of diatomaceous earth led to the death of her mother. The initial incident happened two years before contacting ODA. They allege that pest control company came to the house to treat under the home for ants and rodent trapping. During the application they claim that spray equipment malfunctioned and dispensed the substance all throughout the house. Her mother was in the home at the time and developed breathing issues (acute bronchitis). Not long after she passed from the disease.*

PARC CASE NO. 22-0109 *In Portland, OR at an inter modal train yard, there was a release of twenty-seven gallons of fungicide into the ground. One to two gallons were also released into a storm drain. This rail yard was directly next to the Willamette.*

Public Comment

Mary Anne Cooper, Oregon Farm Bureau

I believe it would be helpful if there were more concrete guidelines for public engagement. It should be noted that the chat box should not be used during virtual meetings for public comment.

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