



PARC Board Meeting Minutes – March 13, 2019
Food Innovation Center, Classroom
1207 Naito Pkwy
Portland, OR 97209
9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

PARC Member Agencies Present

ODA - Stephanie Page, PARC Board Administrator
OHA - Curtis Cude, PARC Board Co-Chair
ODA - Theodore Bunch, PARC Board Co-Chair
OPC - Sandy Giffin
OR-OSHA - Garnet Cooke
ODFW - Danette Faucera

PARC Consultants Present

OSU - Jeff Jenkins

Other Persons Present

ODA - Christina Higby
ODA - Kathleen Wickman
ODA - Heather Rickenbach
OPC – Charisse Pizarro-Osilla
OSU/NPIC – Diana Simms
OFS – Janet Fults

PARC Members Absent

ODOT - Will Lackey
OSFM - Michael Heffner
ODF - Jay Walters
OHSU/NPIC - Fred Berman
DEQ - Brian Boling
Community Member - Jennifer Gervais

Agenda Items in bold

Introductions & Meeting Minutes

1. Called to order at approximately 9:20 a.m. with housekeeping and review of the agenda.
2. Members and guests introduced themselves.
3. January's PARC Board meetings were reviewed and approved with one minor change.
4. Members provided agency updates.

Agency Updates

Oregon Poison Control (OPC)

Sandy Giffin, Director

1. Giffin reported OPC gets supplemental federal grant money and are in the process of resubmitting an application for it. OPC handles calls from Oregon, Alaska & Guam. The grant represents 16% of OPC budget.

Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW)

Danette Faucera - Water Policy Coordinator

1. Faucera reported ODFW has received approximately half of the pesticide use plans. Different products have come in based on new organic farms requests.
2. Bills – ODFW is tracking water rights bills.

Oregon Occupational Safety and Health Administration (Oregon OSHA)

Garnet Cooke, Pesticide Coordinator

1. Cooke reminded members of the upcoming Pesticide Symposium scheduled for next week.
2. OR-OSHA conducted a class on Cannabis for the Governor's Health and Safety Occupational Health Conference. There was a lot of interest in the processing part of cannabis.
3. Labor housing rule is now open. Have had one meeting so far. Garnett submitted her comments regarding separate washing facilities; setbacks for new farm worker housing.
4. New AEZ publications are available on OR-OSHA's website under the WPS section.
5. OR-OSHA trainings: outreach has been good and well attended.

Oregon State University (OSU)

Jeff Jenkins, Professor

1. NPIC is going into their 5th funding cycle. It is a 5-year grant and NPIC was awarded level funding. Jenkins shared some history of NPIC which has evolved from receiving phone calls to focusing on outreach through their website and social media accounts. Kaci Buhl's work has collaborated with 10 organizations including farm workers, tribes, mosquito control districts, etc. to co-develop publications to reach more audiences. Her work has made NPIC a highly sought after resource for risk communication.
2. Jenkins introduced Diana who is now working with NPIC 10% of time through the PERC Med (Pesticide Education Resource Consortium) which is administered out of UC Davis.
3. Jenkins reported he will be attending the International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistries Plant Protection Congress in Belgium in May. He will be talking about work that Jenkins will be presenting today.

Oregon Health Authority (OHA)

Curtis Cude, Pesticide Exposure, Safety and Tracking (PEST) Program

1. Cude reported Crystal is participating in the leadership academy and unable to attend the next few PARC meetings.
2. OHA/PEST has been working on a new database to replace the current spider database. OHA has an admin assistant – helping with case entry.
3. Cude reported at the last PARC Board meeting he discussed wood product applications and its association with pesticides. One of the PARC members expressed concern over past

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investigations as it relates to odors being associated as a pesticide incidents. Cude clarified his remarks surrounding the issue.

Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA)

Theodore Bunch, PARC Coordination Team Lead

1. Bunch reported the PARC Board Administrator, Stephanie Page is speaking at a bio stimulant conference this morning and is expected to be here later. PARC Board members Fred Berman, Brian Boling, and Jennifer Gervais were unable to make it.
2. Bunch reported conducting a PARC presentation at a Worksource Oregon training in Woodburn recently. He worked with a translator on the second half of the day to present it in Spanish.
3. Bunch provided an update on the aminocyclopyrachlor (ACP) permanent rulemaking process.
4. Bunch spoke about the new IPM school license category rule changes.
5. Eradication efforts – Japanese Beetle (JB) scheduled to start around April 1, 2019.
6. Legislative updates – Bunch reported he will ask Stephanie to provide a summary when she joins the meeting.
7. Bunch reported that there are several pesticide bills scheduled for hearings. Discussion on what types of pesticide bills followed.
8. Bunch introduced pesticide investigator Heather Rickenbach.

Public Comments

Diana Simms with OSU/NPIC introduced herself and her new role working on the PERC Med project which will focus on educating health care providers on the signs and symptoms associated with pesticide exposure, treatment and other resources. Giffin invited Simms to visit OPC and meet their staff. Simms provided some background and training work including: CDC – educating medical professional about issues. Jeff Jenkins followed up that Diana is helping to fill that void when dealing with various incidents that come in. We are very excited to have Diana with her medical expertise.

Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA)

Stephanie Page, Director of Natural Resources & Pesticide Programs

1. Page reported on legislative updates: multiple hearings over the next couple of weeks. On March 26th ODA will give a presentation on the pesticide regulatory framework. ODA's involvement is to provide factual information including giving an overview of the number of registered products that contain chlorpyrifos and noenicitinoids. There are numerous pesticide related bills including the ban on M44s (products that are deployed by USDA employees to control predators on private lands).
2. Page reported that the Governor's budget included a position for worker protection standards (WPS) education and a fertilizer position.

Presentation & Tour:

Kathleen Wickman, ODA Lab manager gave an overview and tour of the Food Innovation Center and ODA's Lab. The Sensory Lab is housed on the first floor where economist help with experimental processed food. ODA assists with the marketing of process foods through their Market Access program locally, regionally, nationally, and internationally. The ODA Lab has microbiology and chemistry capabilities. Samples from food safety (dairy, shellfish, and food), water samples, and pesticide samples are processed by ODA's Lab. They are licensed through EPA on DNA testing to find sources of E.coli in water samples. ODA's Lab is recognized as a foreign testing lab for Korea and Japan for food

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chemistry tests. Pesticide testing are done in the Lab for pesticides investigations and include foliage, soil, swabs, contaminants in fertilizer products, animal stomach contents, and geese to name a few. In 2018 approximately 11,000 samples were tested; of those, 750 were pesticide samples. Each case has its own unique set of challenges on how to extract the information they are looking for. One sample can take the same amount of time as 10 samples. Each batch has its unique qualities (ex. Onions of different varieties act differently as well as where in the state they were grown and require different kinds of analysis).

Bunch made additional introductions for individuals who showed up during the Lab presentation:

1. Janet Fults with Oregonians for Food and Shelter (OFS) -
2. Stephanie Page (see ODA's agency update)

Break – 15 minutes

Presentation:

Jeff Jenkins gave a presentation on the **Impact of Pesticide Use on Water Quality in the Pacific Northwest**

Jenkins provided an overview of research he conducted that is based on the Washington Toxics Coalition v EPA Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals (2001) related to the endangered species act. The research project looked at pesticide monitoring in two watershed areas in the Willamette Valley. Sustainable agriculture = pathway to water quality protection. The core concept of sustainability is that lasting success requires an integrated approach to: producing food and other products; farm profitability; quality of life for farmers, workers, and communities.

Contributing Factors List Modification

Cude reported that due to a lack of time, PARC members were asked to look at the modified contributing factors list for homework and be prepared to discuss at the next PARC Board meeting.

PARC Board Meetings 2019

May 15 - ODA, Salem

July 17 - DEQ, Hillsboro

September 18 - OR-OSHA, Salem

November 20 - State Office Building, Portland

Meeting adjourned at approximately noon.