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### AGRICULTURE

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### **Report of Loss**

Oregon law requires that if you are claiming a loss from the use of a pesticide by a landowner, person for whom the pesticide was applied or pesticide operator, you must file a "report of loss" form with ODA (ORS 634.172). Filing a "report of loss" protects your right to pursue civil action against the pesticide user. The completed form must be filed within 60 days of the pesticide application, or your discovery of a loss. If the loss deals with a growing crop, you must file before 50% of the crop is harvested. ODA may conduct a "report of loss" investigation in response to the filing of a "report of loss." Oregon law specifies that a "report of loss" investigation will not determine the source of the damage, the person who may have caused the damage, or the financial extent of the damage. ODA cannot require a pesticide user to pay for a claimed loss.

### Reimbursement for damages

The Oregon Pesticide Control Law does not contain any provision for compensation to be made to individuals for a loss due to pesticide use. ODA cannot require someone to pay for a loss due to pesticide use.

### **Legal Assistance**

ODA cannot act as your legal counsel. If you have questions about your legal rights, you should contact an attorney.

If you have additional questions or would like to know more about the investigative process, please contact the ODA Pesticides Division office nearest you.

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### To Report Pesticide Exposure:

## Pesticide Analytical and Response Center (PARC): (503) 731-4025

http://www.ohd.hr.state.or.us/cdpe/eoi/welcome.htm

Coordinates investigations of reported incidents of pesticide exposure to humans or animals, or environmental damage. Reporting can be confidential in certain situations.

#### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RESOURCES:**

National Pesticide Telecommunications Network (NPTN): (800) 858-7378

http://ace.ace.orst.edu/info/nptn

Provides general information on pesticide products, including safety, health and environmental effects, clean-up and disposal.

# Department of Justice, Financial Fraud Section (DOJ): (503) 378-4320

Provides information and assistance with fraudulent business practices.

# Oregon State University Extension Service: contact your local county Extension Office.

http://osu.orst.edu/extension/home/county.html Provides pest management recommendations and weed identification.

# Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW): Portland (503) 872-5255

http://www.dfw.state.or.us

Evaluates fish habitat and provides information related to aquatic health. Participates in investigations related to aquatic life decline.

# Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ): (800) 452-4011

http://www.deq.state.or.us

Regulates pesticide container disposal, participates in emergency activities and investigations. Enforces the state and federal water quality standards.

# Oregon Occupational Safety & Health Division (OR-OSHA): (800) 378-3272

### http://www.cbs.state.or.us/external/osha/index.html

Enforces Hazard Communication rules. Inspects employer workplaces to assure compliance with worker safety and health requirements.



### **PESTICIDES**

# INVESTIGATIONS AND ENFORCEMENT

# OREGON DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

This brochure explains the role of the Oregon Department of Agriculture's Pesticides Division in compliance monitoring and pesticide use investigations and enforcement.

The Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA) Pesticides Division regulates the provisions of Oregon Revised Statute Chapter 634, the Pesticide Control Law. It addresses pesticide applicator licensing, certification, and compliance monitoring of pesticide distribution, sale and use in Oregon.

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# What is the job of the Pesticide Investigator?

The pesticide investigator's job is to objectively gather information on the distribution, sale and use of pesticides. Information is gathered by conducting interviews, obtaining statements, reviewing application records and pesticide labels, taking photographs and making on-site assessments. The purpose of gathering this information is to document that a violation of state and/or federal pesticide laws has or has not occurred.

### Sampling

The investigator may, as deemed necessary, collect physical samples (soil, water, vegetation, swabs, clothing, etc.) from the application site and other areas. Samples must be collected by ODA personnel or other approved state or federal regulatory agencies to maintain a proper chain of custody and ensure that the information obtained can be used, if needed, in administrative actions.

Documentary samples of records or photographs may also be taken.

ODA will not take informational samples. Samples are only taken when deemed necessary to prove or disprove a violation of the Pesticide Control Law.

Department personnel may provide information about private laboratories where private analysis may be obtained.

What should I do if I think there is a problem with the investigation or I forgot to tell the investigator something?

You should call the investigator first, or the Salem office, at the number listed in this brochure. The investigator needs to know all the facts in order to conduct a thorough investigation.

# What happens after the investigation?

The completed investigation report is submitted to other staff of the Pesticides Division for review. These staff will review the investigation to determine if the report documents that a violation of state and/or federal pesticide laws occurred.

### **Enforcement Actions**

Several enforcement actions are available to the ODA when a violation of state and/or federal pesticide laws is determined to have occurred. These enforcement actions include:

- Cease and Desist Order:
- Notice of Violation:
- Imposition of Civil Penalty, which may be as much as \$1,000 per violative count;
- Suspension or revocation of a pesticide license;
- Referral to EPA for review and enforcement action;
- Product Stop Sale Order; crop embargo.

All Enforcement Actions can result in a hearing. When clear documentation of a violation is lacking, a Letter of Advisement may be sent.

### How long does an investigation take?

The goal of ODA is to respond to most pesticide use complaints within 48 hours of their receipt, and to complete investigations within 30 days. The review of completed investigation reports can take up to 30 days. The actual time taken to respond to a complaint and complete an investigative report can vary due to investigator workload, sampling needed, laboratory analysis requested, gathering additional information and other factors.

# Will I be kept informed of the progress of the investigation?

Results of completed laboratory analyses or preliminary findings may be shared while the investigation is underway. Conclusions and enforcement actions will not be made available until the completed investigation report has been reviewed and associated enforcement actions have been issued.

# Who has access to information gathered in an investigation?

Complaint, investigation and enforcement action information is considered to be Public Record.

Members of the public have the right to view and obtain case files after a pesticide investigation report is completed and associated enforcement action has been issued. All requests must be in writing. A fee for the cost involved in responding to a public information request is charged. The costs include document reproduction, labor, and mailing costs.

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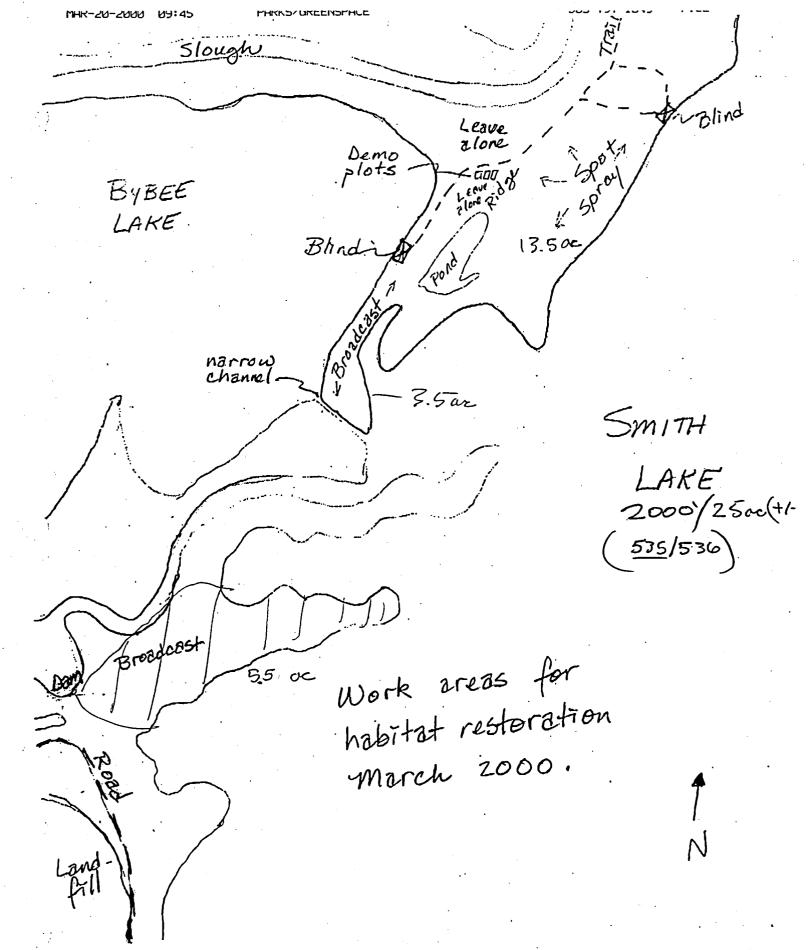
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Related Cases:

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### INSPECTION OF OREGON PESTICIDE APPLICATION RECORDS

Name: CDR Reforestation Address: 11125 SW 106th Ave	License No: 151105  Records Reviewed From: July 1999
Tigard OR 97223	To:
Phone: 503-968-5918	
As specified in Oregon Revised Statutes - Chapter 634.1 entities and/or individuals:	46, records are required to be maintained by the following
<ul> <li>Commercial Pesticide Operators,</li> <li>Public Pesticide Applicators when utilizing n Use" Pesticides,</li> <li>Commercial Pesticide Applicators not emplo</li> </ul>	nachine powered equipment and/or "Restricted yed by an operator.
To refuse or fail to prepare and maintain records is a violation of Oregon Revised Statutes 634.372(5).	
sample of the pesticide application records of the firm/individual specified have been reviewed. Items marked "No" hay be considered a violation of ORS 634 or OAR 603 and are subject to enforcement action.	
Location of the land Date and approximat Supplier of pesticide Identity of pesticide product name includi Amount of pesticide Specific property, cro Summary informatio if applied by aircraft,	product(s) applied product(s) applied (EPA Reg. No. or specific ing identity of the manufacturer). product(s) applied and dilution op(s) to which application was made in of equipment, device, or apparatus used and the complete FAA number of aircraft or trainee who made the application
^	to confirm status at date of application.
COMMENTS: Records appear to	contain all reguired information
when supplemented with letters	
Treatment areas are Portland	greenways as should be noted in record
Operator Representative/Applicator Signature	Pesticide Investigator
	January 12, 2000
Print Name/Title Form 4086	Date of Investigation





- Industrial Weed Abatement
- Brush Control
- Commercial Property Maintenance

### PESTICIDE APPLICATION RECORDS

FULL NAME, ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER OF BUSINESS, FIRM OR PERSON WHO OWNS OR CONTROLS THE CROP / PROPERTY SPRAYED. DO NOT USE INITIALS, NICKNAMES OR PARTIAL NAMES CITY OF PORTLAND BUREAU OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES JIM SCHILLER 1120 SW FIFTH AVENUE, ROOM 1100 (2) ADDRESS OF THE SITE, OR A GEOGRAPHIC DESCRIPTION OF THE APPLICATION SITE (SUCH AS CIRCLE NUMBER, MAP NUMBER OR TOWNSHIP / SECTION / RANGE), AND THE SIZE OF THE AREA TREATED (ACRES, SQUARE FEET, LINEAR FEET, ETC.) AREA BEING TREATED (USE THIS AREA FOR GEOGRAPHIC DESCRIPTION IF NECESSARY) ATTACH A SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY diameter around stake ave 13.5 m SIJUHJA ③ DATE OF APPLICATION (BEGINNING & ENDING) 9:00 3:00 28 2000 march 3 v 6:00 2009 YEAR ENDING: MONTH YEAR (4) SUPPLIER OF PESTICIDE PRODUCT(S) APPLIED (DO NOT USE INITIALS, NICKNAMES OR PARTIAL NAMES) WILBUR ELLIS COMPANY FULL NAME OF PERSON OR BUSINESS (5) TRADE NAME AND STRENGTH OF PESTICIDES APPLIED NAME OF PESTICIDE EPA REGISTRATION NUMBER -OR- MANUFACTURER & FORMULATION TYPE 1 ROUNDER PRO 524-343 ATTACH A SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY (6) AMOUNT OR CONCENTRATION (POUNDS OR GALLONS PER ACRE OF ACTIVE INGREDIENT OR CONCENTRATION PER APPROX. 100 GALLONS) TYPE & AMOUNT OF CARRIER APPLIED PER UNIT OF MEASURE (ACRE, SQUARE FEET, ETC.) - OR - WHERE A SPECIFIC UNIT OF MEASURE IS NOT APPLICABLE, THE TOTAL AMOUNT APPLIED TO THE SITE AMOUNT OF EACH PESTICIDE PRODUCT APPLIED PER UNIT OF MEASURE (OUNCES, POUNDS, PINTS, QUARTS, ETC.) AMOUNT & TYPE OF OTHER MATERIAL APPLIED (SUCH AS SPREADER / STICKER, WETTING AGENT OR DRIFT RETARDANT) Sio gallens BLAZON DYE 2 Applied To SiTes NO SUFFETANT ATTACH A SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY (I) SPECIFIC PROPERTY, CROP OR CROPS TO WHICH THE PESTICIDE WAS APPLIED "PCO GENERAL" & "PCO STRUCTURAL" APPLICATIONS -THE SPECIFIC AREA (EXTERIOR WALL VOIDS, KITCHEN CABINETS, INTERIOR FOUNDATION, LIVINGROOM BASEBOARDS, ETC.) AGRICULTURAL APPLICATIONS THE SPECIFIC CROP ORNAMENTAL APPLICATIONS -THE GENERAL AREA (FRONT YARD, HEDGE, FRUIT TREE, ETC.) OTHER APPLICATIONS -DESCRIPTIONS SIMILAR TO PREVIOUS EXAMPLES 1 HABITAT MANAGEMENT, CONTROL OF UNDESIRABLE VEGETATION IE, REED CANARY GRASS 2 ATTACH A SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY (8) SUMMARY INFORMATION OF EQUIPMENT, DEVICE OR APPARATUS USED AND, IF APPLIED BY AIRCRAFT, THE F.A.A. NUMBER BACK PACK SPRAYER Hard BACK PACK SPRAYER (LP-3) + MAPLY SUA

IDENTIFICATION OF APPLICATION EQUIPMENT USED (AEROSOL CAN, SPEED SPRAYER, BACKPACK SPRAYER, FOGGER, ETC.) AND, IF APPLIED AERIALLY, THE TO NUMBER OF THE AIRCRAFT (9) NAME OF APPPLICATOR(S) OR TRAINEE(S) WHO APPLIED THE PESTICIDES Kon Pegrson Kobis WinsTor

FOR ADDITIONAL COMMENTS, ATTACH A SEPARATE SHEET

@ RECORDS SHALL BE MAINTAINED FOR AT LEAST THREE YEARS FROM THE DATE OF APPLICATION