



TAKE YOUR SEAT AT THE TABLE!

Association of Structural Pest Control Regulatory Officials

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THE PESTICIDE TABLE

- Pesticide space is dynamic and full of challenges.
- Involves an extended family including pesticide regulatory officials, educators, researchers and industry.
- The Pesticide Table provides opportunities to come together in a space for a shared purpose.

WHY TAKE A SEAT AT THE TABLE?

- Connections and conversations.
- Focus on the issue at hand.
- Microcosm of what is happening in the family.
- Where decisions are made that impact each of us.
- *What is being talked about?*
 - Registration actions;
 - Promulgation of new laws or regulations;
 - Amendments to existing laws or regulations;
 - Changes to current processes or development of guidance documents;
 - Implementation of above.

IF YOU DON'T

VOTE

YOU LOSE

THE RIGHT TO

COMPLAIN

BEING AT THE TABLE

Meets regulations
and
requirements.

Adheres to
democratic
principles.

Create more
substantive
decisions and
outcomes.*

Identify problems
that can and
should be solved.*

Enhance future
problem-solving
capacity.

Share and/or
expand your
knowledge, skills
and abilities.

SIGNIFICANT IMPACTS & BENEFITS

DECISIONS & OUTCOMES

- More information i.e. scientific or technical knowledge, context, institutions involved, history and personalities.
- More perspectives.
- Increased mutual understanding.
- Free consultation!

IDENTIFY & SOLVE PROBLEMS

- Quickly identify key difficulties, challenges or opportunities.
- Deeper understanding of the situation, problems, issues, opportunities and options for action.
- Build a coalition of support.
- Get it right the first time.

ADDING TO THE CONVERSATION

- Numerous formal and informal opportunities exist to participate.
- Each opportunity is important to ensure your voice is heard and to add your voice to the conversation.
- Share your unique perspective.



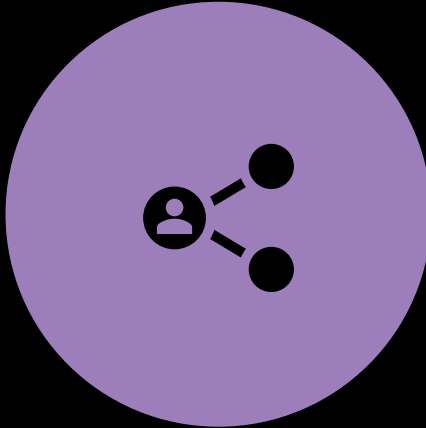
PESTICIDE REGULATORY OFFICIALS



THE "ME"
REPRESENTING OUR AGENCY



THE "WE"
ASSOCIATION MEMBER



THE "US"
INTERESTED PARTY TO ASSOCIATION

THE “ME”

**REPRESENTING
OUR AGENCY**

- If you know how one state/tribe/territory will be impacted, you know how one state/tribe/territory impacted.
- Opportunity to share your state/tribal/territorial specific perspective on an issue.
- Unique knowledge of your jurisdiction, programs, industry, consumers, pest pressures, existing laws and regulations, etc.
- *For example, revised Certification Plans*

THE “WE”

ASSOCIATION MEMBER

- An individual voice can be loud – adding to others it can be **REALLY** loud!
- Allows you to comment when you may not otherwise have that opportunity.
- Provides support to your colleagues – even when the issue does not impact your jurisdiction or to the same extent as others.
- *For example, changes to the use of sulfuryl fluoride..*

THE “US”

INTERESTED PARTY TO AN ASSOCIATION

- In general, historically, regulatory officials were not able or chose not to engage with other groups, i.e., industry groups.
 - Perceived conflict of interest
 - Limited value or utility
- Realization that to fairly and effectively regulate an industry, you must understand the industry.
 - Interaction with an association rather than an individual can overcome the above concerns.
- Associations have knowledge, skills and abilities that regulatory officials may or may not have or be able to exercise.
- When concerns are shared and solutions are agreed upon, can be successful!
- *For example, pyrethroids and changes to the label..*

**TAKE THE
OPPORTUNITY**

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IF YOU DON'T
HAVE A SEAT
AT THE TABLE,
YOU'RE PROBABLY
ON THE MENU.

-Elizabeth Warren