

# **NPMA Year In Review and Landscape Ahead**

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# Who is NPMA?

- The National Pest Management Association proudly serves 4,000+ member companies and their employees in the pest management community.
  - Our members range from small, family-operated businesses to large, international companies.
- Our members manage pests in commercial, residential, and institutional settings protecting our public health, food, and property.
- We provide our members with industry leadership, resources for education and market development, and public policy advocacy.

**Want to learn more?** Check out our website:

[www.npmapestworld.org](http://www.npmapestworld.org)

# Meet NPMA's Public Policy Team

- **Advancing** science-based policies at state and federal legislatures.
- **Defending** professional pest management professionals from burdensome regulations and legislation.
- **Educating** regulators about the structural pest control industry's unique pesticide use patterns.
- J.D. Darr, *Senior Director of Legislative and Regulatory Affairs*
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- Jackie Ramsey, *Coordinator, Legislative and Regulatory Affairs*

# Federal Legislation: The Farm Bill

- **Our Goal:** Codify state pesticide preemption, maintaining the status quo in 45 states and ensuring that federal and state regulators maintain cooperative oversight over pesticide regulations throughout the U.S.
  - Language included in the House bill, which passed the Committee on Agriculture in May 2024.
  - Senate Majority/Minority Framework versions are conflicting.

# Federal Regulation: EPA Actions

- **FIFRA's Compliance with Endangered Species Act (ESA)**
  - Vulnerable Species Pilot Project (VSPP)
  - Insecticide Strategy
  - Herbicide/Rodenticide Strategy
  
- **Registration Decisions**
  - Malathion PID
  - Acephate PID
  - Sulfuryl Flouride

# Professional Pest Management: Issues in the States

## Legislation:

- State Pesticide Preemption
  - Local Ordinances
- Chemistry Restrictions
  - Neonicotinoids
  - Rodenticides
- PFAS Definition and Prohibition
  - 1-carbon definition (ME, MN)

## Regulation:

- C&T Plan Updates
  - Engaging on rulemaking/legislative process.
- Integrated Pest Management
  - Research School IPM
- Professional Applicator "Special" Interests
  - Fee increases, licensing changes, etc.

# NPMA in Your State

- Our state policy affairs representatives (SPARs), are the in-state contact for the professional pest management industry.
  - Volunteers from the state pest management associations, they know the state's industry/issues.
- SPARs proactively engaged in the state legislature and with state regulators.
  - Their goal is to share accurate information regarding the industry while providing feedback on proposals that would affect our ability to operate.

# Thank You!

Have questions?  
Feel free to reach out:

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