

# Renew State Funding for Weed Management Areas!

## Have your land-management organization send a support letter for AB 2402

- 1. Use the sample language on the next page to prepare a letter on your organization's letterhead.
- 2. Send to Susanna Schlendorf of the following ways (and she will route accordingly):
  - a. Email to Susanna.Schlendorf@asm.ca.gov, or...
  - b. Fax to Susanna at 916-319-2116, or...
  - c. Mail to: Susanna Schlendorf, Chief of Staff

Office of Assembly Member Joan Buchanan

State Capitol P.O. Box 942849

Sacramento, CA 94249-0016

- 3. CC your local Assembly representative. Find yours at <a href="http://findyourrep.legislature.ca.gov/">http://findyourrep.legislature.ca.gov/</a>.
- 4. Save your materials if we pass the Assembly, we'll move to the State Senate!

### Thank you!

For more information see www.cal-ipc.org or contact Doug at dwjohnson@cal-ipc.org.

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#### [On your organization's letterhead]

#### <<date>>

Honorable Susan Talamantes Eggman, Chair Committee on Agriculture California State Assembly P.O. Box 942849 Sacramento, CA 94249-0041

RE: Support for AB 2402

Dear Assembly Member Eggman,

On behalf of <<your organization>>, I want to express our strong support for AB 2402. By providing \$2.5 million to the state's network of Weed Management Areas (WMAs), this bill makes a vital investment in the long-term protection of California's water resources, agriculture, economy, infrastructure and environment.

WMAs have been effective because they bring together all land management stakeholders at the local and regional scale. Partners include public agencies, private landowners and interested NGOs. The collaborative structure generates strong local buy-in for high-priority weed control projects. Along with significant in-kind contributions, the seed grants provided by the state's program have helped leverage additional funding.

In our area <<describe your organization's involvement with invasive plant management and WMAs—optional>>

Please support the passage of this important bill.

Sincerely,

<<your name, title>>

cc: Assembly Member Joan Buchanan Assembly Member Jim Frazier <quu Assembly Member>>