

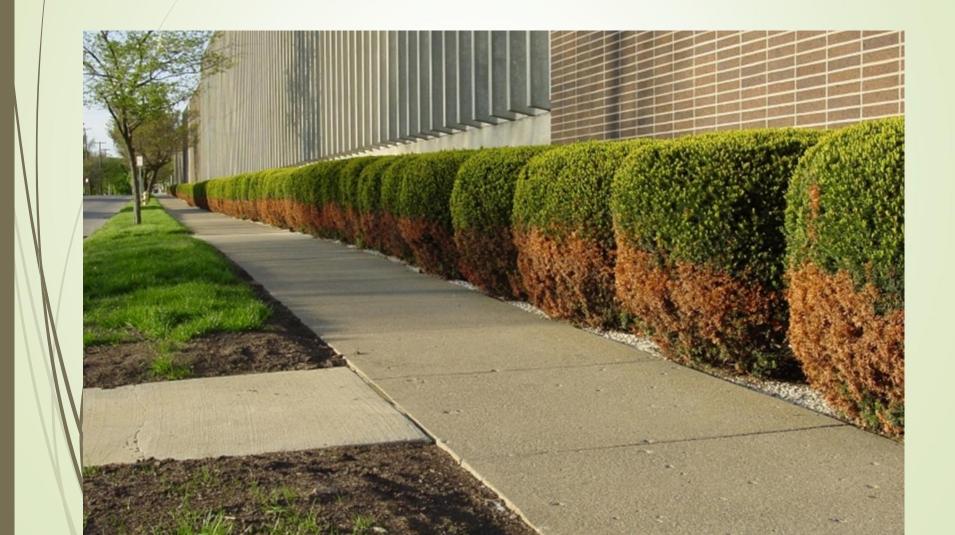
Practicing the Biological Arts

How to be a Responsible Applicator

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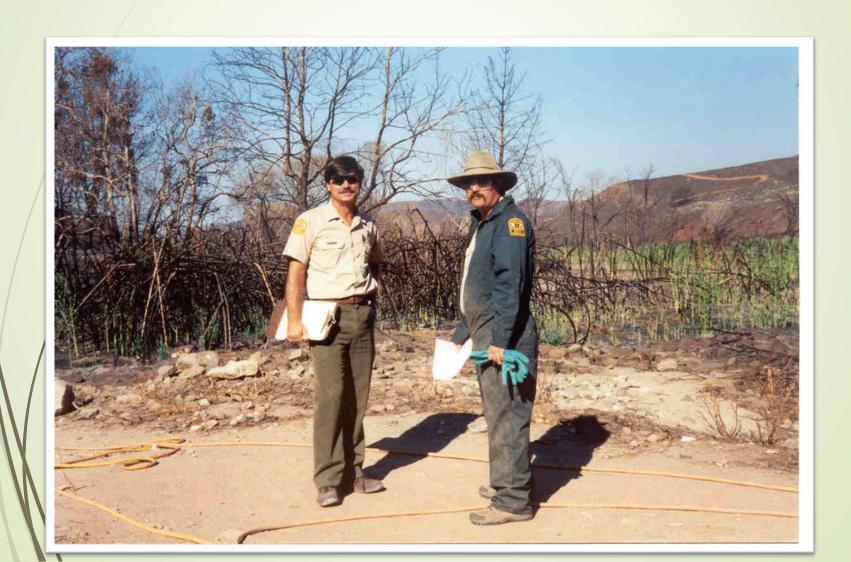


"Good judgement is the result of experience and experience comes from bad judgement" Mark Twain



So, what does the CCR say?

General Standards of Care 6600



Use only pest control equipment which is in good repair and safe to operate



Perform all pest control in a safe and effective manner



Use only methods and equipment suitable to insure proper application of pesticides



Perform all pest control under climatic conditions suitable to insure proper application of pesticides



Exercise reasonable precautions to avoid contamination of the environment



CCR 6614 Protection of Persons, Animals and Property



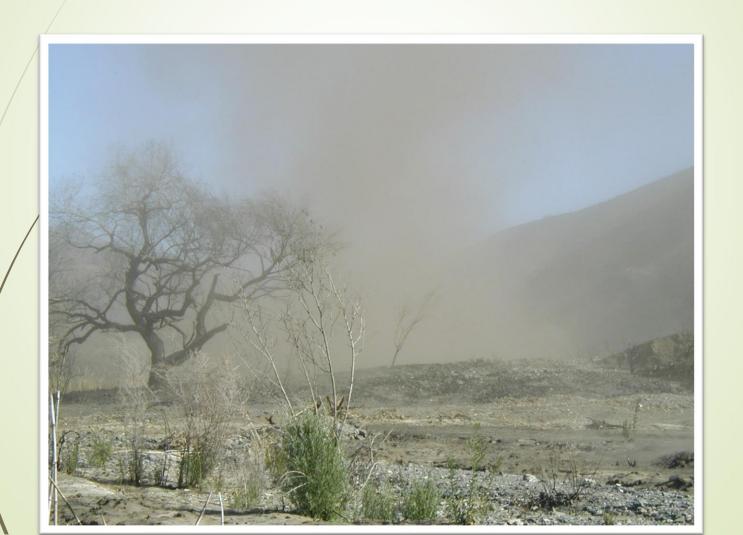
An applicator shall prior to and while applying a pesticide shall evaluate:



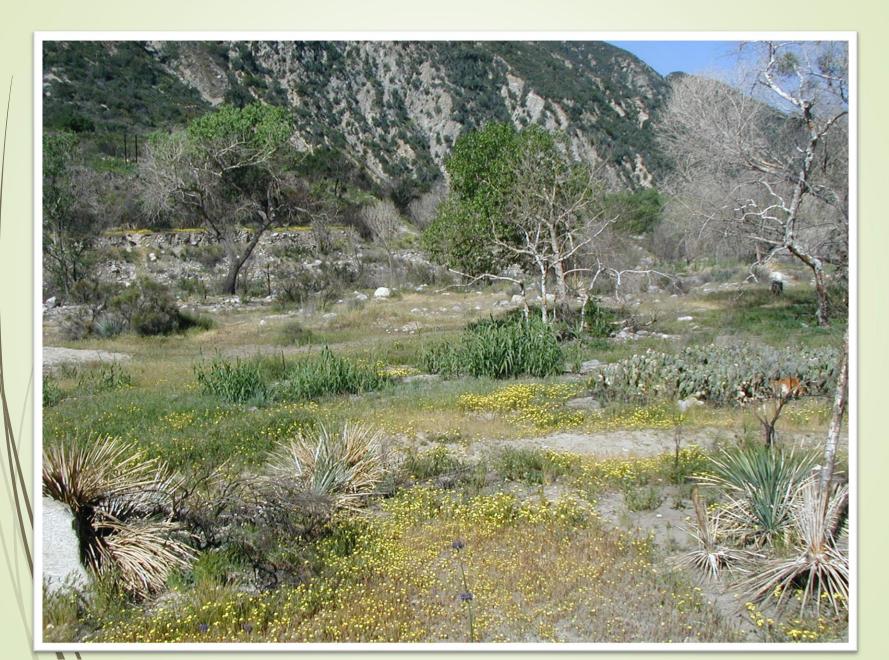
Equipment to be used



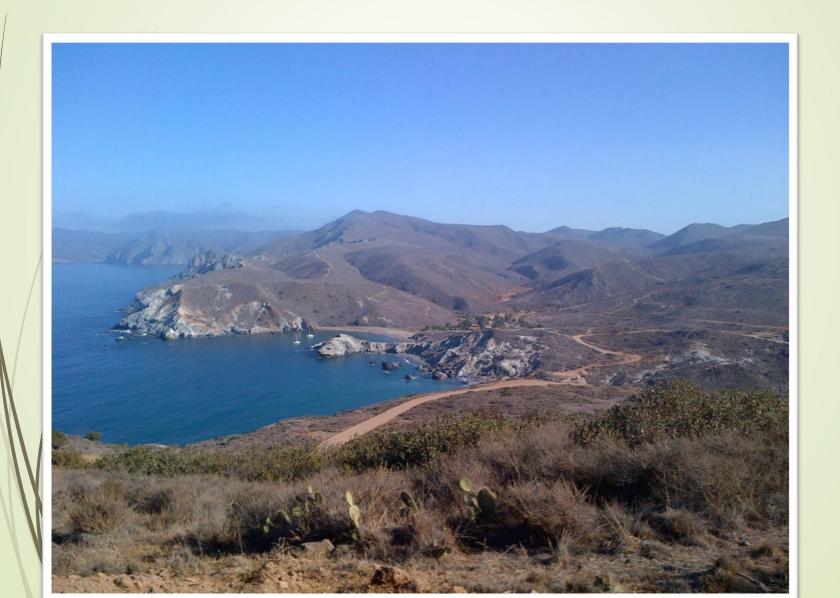
Metrological conditions



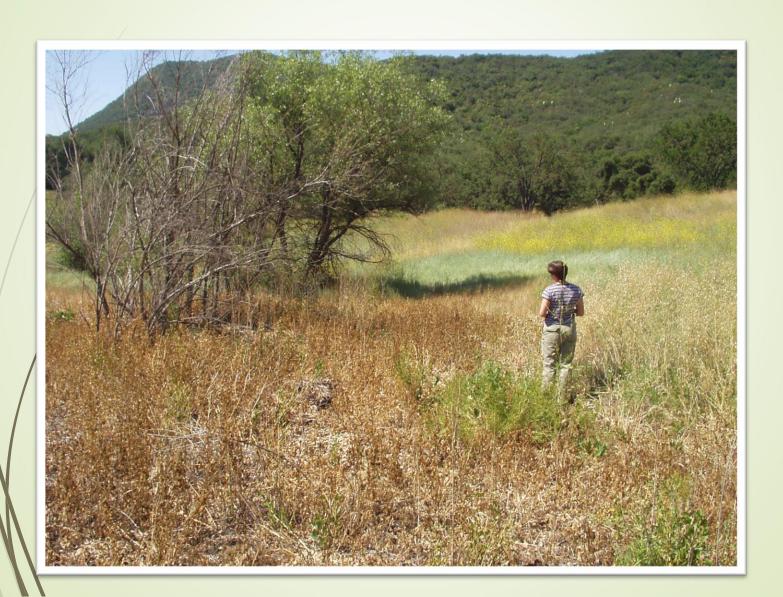
The property to be treated



And surrounding properties



To determine the likelihood of harm or damage



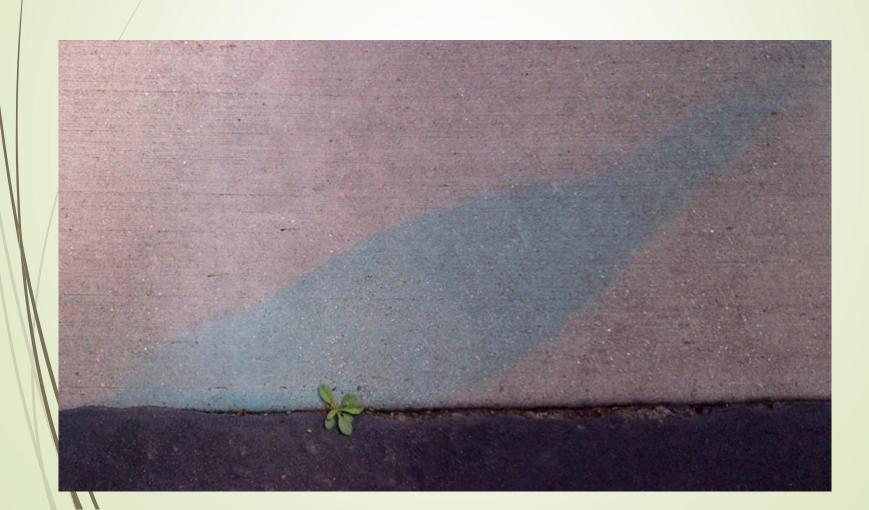
Substantial drift needs to be prevented and no application shall be made or continued when:





Definitions:

Drift = the movement of chemical vapors from the area of application to an off-target site



Definitions:

Volatilization = the movement of a chemical from a liquid (or solid) phase to a gas phase, such as evaporation from soil particle surfaces or water to the atmosphere



There is a reasonable possibility of contamination of bodies or clothing of persons not involved in the application process



There is a reasonable possibility of damage to:

Non-target crops



Animals







Other public or private property



Or there is a reasonable possibility of contamination of nontarget public or private property



Including a health hazard preventing the use of that property



In determining a health hazard several factors are considered

- Amount and toxicity of the pesticide
- Type and related uses of the property
- Other related factors

Other Code Sections to know:

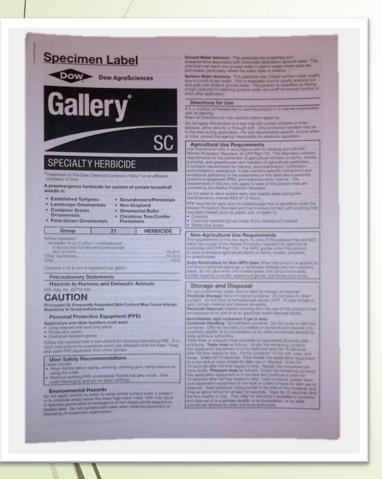
CCR 6678 – Service Container Labeling

- Name & Address of person or firm responsible for the container
- The identity of the economic poison in the container
- The signal word in accordance with the original label on the container



CCR 6602 Availability of labeling

A copy of the registered label that allows the manner in which the pesticide is being used shall be available at each use site





CCR 6604 Accurate Measurement

Pesticides must be weighed or measured accurately using devices which are calibrated to the smallest unit in which the pesticide is being weighed or measured





CCR 6608 Equipment Cleaning



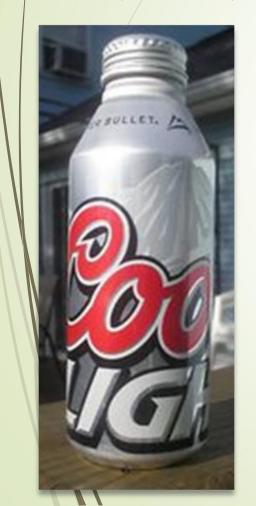
Pest control equipment shall be thoroughly cleaned when necessary to prevent illness or damage to persons, plants or animals from residues of pesticides previously used in the equipment

pon't forget if you are repairing equipment or someone else is, you/they need to wear the same PPE as if you were making an application



CCR 6680 Prohibited Containers for Pesticides

In no case shall a pesticide be placed or kept in any container of a type commonly used for food, drink, or household products





CCR 6682 Transportation

Pesticides shall not be transported in the same compartment with persons, food or feed

Pesticide containers shall be secured to vehicles during transportation in a manner that will prevent spillage onto the vehicle or off the vehicle



CCR 6616 Consent to Apply

Cannot apply a pesticide to property without the consent of owner or operator of the property



Remember that public perception is important







Final Thought:

Before you spray, and you're not sure – Don't

Call your Local Ag
Commissioner

UC Extension

Manufacturers technical Rep