

CDFA Weed Program Priorities, Funding and Grants

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Introduction

- The Legislature designates CDFA as the lead department in noxious weed management and the department is responsible for the implementation of this article in cooperation with the Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency.
- In 2018, in cooperation with Resources Agency, established a weed grant program through Biodiversity Funding.

IPC vs IPM

- The Integrated Pest Control Branch at CDFA works with industry and academia to provide solutions to long-term pest problems throughout the state
- Integrated Pest Management is a method of utilizing all of the tools in the toolbox to prevent, control and eradicate a pest
 - Prevention – EDRR - Pesticide
 - Mechanical – Cultural Practices – Biocontrol
- Goal is protection and restoration of the system

Funding Requirements

- Weed must be identified in the following resources:
- “4500 List” – California Code of Regulations Section 4500
- Rated A or Q – CDFA Rating blog
- ‘B’ rating – CAC input and regional priorities

Integrated Pest Control Weed Update

California Department of Food
and Agriculture
- David Kratville -

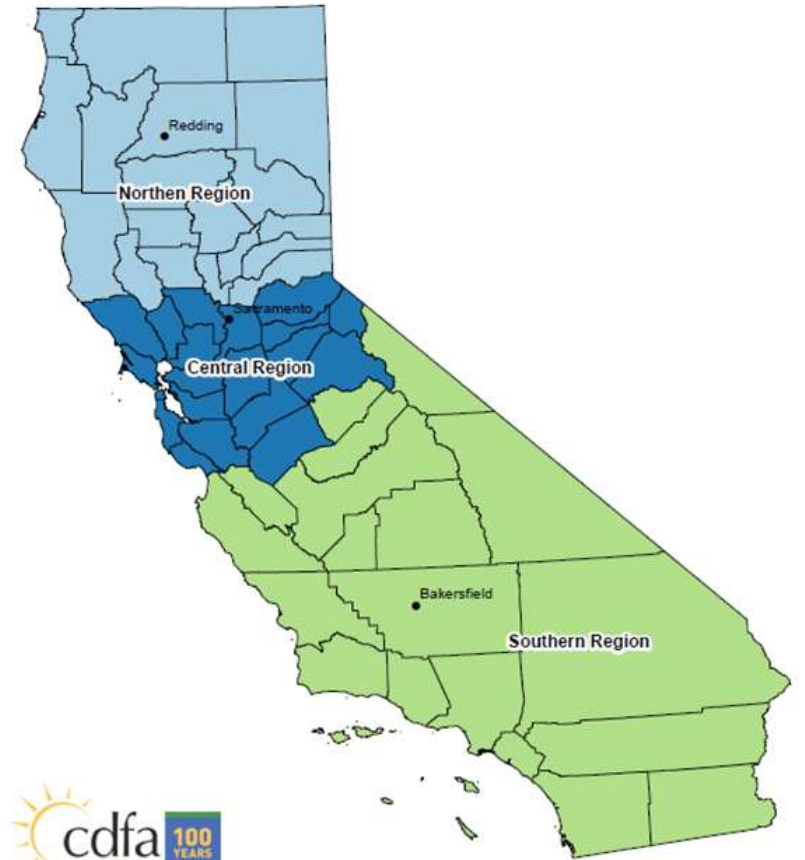
Weed Tours

- Coordinating with University of California Farm Advisors
- Tentative plan three tours: Northern, Central & Southern California
- Three days of weed site visits and education/demonstration





CDFA 2022 Weed Tours



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2023 Noxious Weed Grant Program

Maximum award
\$42,421 per County

Section 4500 Noxious
Weeds and A, Q or
regionally important B
rated weeds.

2023 NWGP Timeline	
Invitation to submit Grant Applications	September 15, 2022
Grant Applications Due	October 31, 2022 at 11:59pm PDT
Review Process	November 1 – December 31, 2022
Announce and Award Funding	January 15, 2023
Grants Awarded	June 30, 2023
Mid-Year Reports	October 15, 2023 and October 15, 2024
Final Date to Complete Field Work	June 30, 2025
Final Report	July 31, 2025
Final Invoice Due	September 30, 2025

UPDATE: Deadline Extended Nov 15

Future Weed Tours?

- In the works...

- We welcome feedback
- All participants will receive survey
- Routes, Accommodations, Meal Improvements?
- Let us know!



Noxious Weed Account

One time funding allocation of \$10 million placed in the Noxious Weed Account

FAC Sec. 7271.

(a) The Legislature designates the department as the lead department in noxious weed management and the department is responsible for the implementation of this article in cooperation with the Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency.

(b) There is hereby created in the Department of Food and Agriculture Fund the Noxious Weed Management Account.

(c) Moneys appropriated for expenditure by the secretary for the purposes of this article may be spent without regard to fiscal year and shall be allocated as follows...

Questions?

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