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## MEMORANDUM

From: San Francisco Department of the Environment  
To: Members of the Public  
Re: **Pest Management Hearing and Reduced Risk Pesticide List Process for 2019**

This memo summarizes the timeline for this year's Pest Management Hearing and Reduced Risk Pesticide List adoption process.

### ***Annual Public Hearing, Pest Management Activities on City Properties:***

Each year the SF Department of the Environment holds a hearing on select pesticide product usage by City Departments and pesticide restriction exemptions. The hearing affords an opportunity for the public to learn about the accomplishments of the City's award-winning Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Program. It is also a venue for the City's IPM professionals to hear public concerns on pest management and pesticides.

The annual hearing will be held in City Hall, Room 416 on Wednesday, July 10, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

### ***Approval of Reduced Risk Pesticide List:***

Each year, the Department reviews and recommends to the Commission on the Environment any necessary changes to the City's Reduced Risk Pesticide List. The Commission reviews the list annually and may enact any necessary changes. This year, the Reduced Risk Pesticide List will be considered first by the Commission on the Environment Policy Committee on August 12, 2019 prior to review by the full Commission.

The Department will post its draft Reduced Risk Pesticide List by July 12, 2019 on the Policy Committee website, with an invitation to submit written public comment until 5 p.m. on Friday, August 2, 2019. Comments received by 5 p.m. on August 2, 2019, will be incorporated into the Department of the Environment's presentation to the Policy Committee on August 12, 2019, in an Issues and Response Document. All written public comment received after August 2, 2019 and all oral public comment given in person will be reflected in publicly available records and the Department will accept comments submitted at any time. The Department encourages members of the public to submit written public comments in advance of August 2, 2019, and in general, before 5 p.m. the day prior to any scheduled public meeting, to maximize staff and commissioners' opportunity to review such input.

Should the Policy Committee vote to advance the proposed Reduced Risk Pesticide List to the full Commission on the Environment on August 12, the Department anticipates that the Commission will agendaize the proposed List for discussion and possible vote during the Commission's regular meeting on September 24, 2019.

All written public comment should be sent to Anthony Valdez, Commission Secretary, by email at [anthony.e.valdez@sfgov.org](mailto:anthony.e.valdez@sfgov.org) or by mail to the San Francisco Department of the Environment, 1455 Market Street, Suite 1200, San Francisco, CA 94103. Thank you and we look forward to receiving your comments.