

# City of Santa Rosa



## Legislation Details

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<b>Title:</b>	REPORT - RESOLUTION TO APPROVE CITY-WIDE INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT POLICY				

**BACKGROUND:** Integrated Pest Management (IPM) is a science-based approach to reduce the quantity of harmful pesticides used in landscape management. The key reasons cited for developing IPM policies are to reduce impacts on humans and the environment. The purpose of an IPM policy is to design landscapes that are naturally resistant to pests and utilize non-chemical controls where possible. This includes installing pest-resistant species, controlling weeds with mulch and dense plantings, mechanical removal with powered equipment or grazing animals, and only using chemical controls when all other methods have been determined to not be effective in eliminating the pests to the desired levels. IPM policies typically specify using the least toxic pesticide first before applying more toxic pesticides.

The proposed IPM policy will ensure the greatest protection to city staff and the community when managing pests. The policy provides clear guidance on the management of pests on city-owned landscapes, direction on how to control pests, and direction on how to identify and implement methods to minimize the need for pesticide application.

**RECOMMENDATION:** It is recommended by Santa Rosa Water and the Recreation and Parks Department that the Council of the City of Santa Rosa, by resolution, adopt the City-Wide Integrated Pest Management Policy.

**Sponsors:** Water, Recreation and Parks, Fire

**Indexes:** Not a Project

**Code sections:** 15061(b)(3) - General Rule Exemption, 15378 - Not a Project

**Attachments:** 1. Staff Report, 2. Attachment 1 - Draft City-Wide Integrated Pest Management Policy, 3. Attachment 2 - Appendix A City Integrated Pest Management Policy, 4. Resolution, 5. Exhibit A - City-Wide Integrated Pest Management Policy, 6. Presentation

Date	Ver.	Action By	Action	Result
3/5/2024	1	City Council	to waive reading of the text and adopt	Pass