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Program Accomplishment Highlights CY2005

Director of Washington State Pest Management Resource Service (WSPRS) and its staff of four. The function of WSPRS is to serve as an information bridge between local, state, regional and national sources of pest management information in order to connect those with questions to those with the needed information.

Extension/Outreach

- Maintained the WSPRS web page, a reference service for all WSU pest management related activities and publications. The web site (<http://wsprs.wsu.edu>), receives an average of 5,000 monthly visits.
- WSPRS staff gave 3 presentations on pesticide related topics generating 423 stakeholder credit hours.
- Ten information packets, as part of WSPRS' seven-state Regional Comment Coordinator responsibilities, were submitted to either EPA or USDA. Maintained web page for project (<http://wsprs.wsu.edu/USDAEPAInfo.html>) to allow public access to information packets.

Pesticide Tracking/Reporting

- Continued active daily maintenance of the PICOL label and tolerance databases (<http://picol.cahe.wsu.edu/LabelTolerance.html>). Kept over 14,000 pesticide label and 10,000 tolerance entries up to date in the label and tolerance databases.
- Completed five special projects for the PICOL label database, involving review of several hundred labels, thus decreasing the error rate of the database and increasing utility.
- Maintained the Pesticide Notification Network (PNN). More than 25,000 contacts were made via PNN emails with clientele. The searchable web page (<http://ext.wsu.edu/pnn>) continues to allow public access to all PNN information.

Funding Procurement

- Successfully obtained \$197,044 in annual grant and contract funds in 2005, primarily to support salaries of four WSPRS staff members.

Meetings/Committees

- Served as Washington State representative to the PNW Workgroup, a funded entity from the USDA Western Region IPM Center.
- Served as WSU liaison to the WSDA Pesticide Advisory Board.
- Served as Chair of "Committee on Committees" for American Association of Pesticide Safety Educators.
- Served on one national and one regional grant review panel.
- Continued to collect data for the WSU collective experimental use permit.

Publications

- Publication of an article on the PNN in the Journal of Extension (<http://www.joe.org/joe/2005december/iw1.shtml>)
- Served as Assistant Editor to the *Journal of Pesticide Safety Education*, (<http://aapse.ext.vt.edu/JPSE/jpse.html>) .
- Published one new crop profile (alfalfa) and one revised profile (table beets). Edited three additional regional PMSP reports (alfalfa seed/clover seed, snap bean, sugarbeet). Profiles and PMSPs available at (<http://wsprs.wsu.edu/CropProfiles.html>) .
- Reviewed 15 extension publications, one database (Hortsense) and sections of weed, insect, and disease PNW handbooks for conformance to pesticide labels.