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## **CALL FOR PROPOSALS 2002-03** **Reduced-Risk Pest Management Grants**



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### REDUCED-RISK PEST MANAGEMENT ALLIANCE GRANTS

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PEST MANAGEMENT ANALYSIS AND PLANNING PROGRAM  
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DEPARTMENT OF PESTICIDE REGULATION

THE DEPARTMENT OF PESTICIDE REGULATION(DPR) is offering financial support for Pest Management Alliance grant projects. In the past, DPR funded two types of projects: the Pest Management Grants emphasize applied research and demonstration, while the more complex Alliance Grants highlight demonstration and implementation. Due to California's budget shortfall, funding for grants has been reduced. Consequently, we are offering grants for Alliance projects only. DPR's goal for this grant program is to increase adoption of pest management practices that effectively control pests while minimizing risks to human health and the environment. This brochure includes information on how to apply for a Pest Management Alliance grant. More detailed information is included in the Request For Proposals (RFP).

### WHAT YOU NEED TO DO

To apply for funding you must obtain an RFP package from DPR or download one from <http://www.cdpr.ca.gov/dprgrants.htm>. You must complete the proposal as required in the RFP. Successful applicants are required to sign a state contract.

If you would like additional information about downloading the complete RFP bid package or summaries of successful Alliances, visit the URL listed above, or contact Bob Elliott at (916) 324-4100 or [belliott@cdpr.ca.gov](mailto:belliott@cdpr.ca.gov).

# ALLIANCE GRANT PROPOSALS

ALLIANCE GRANTS are provided to help commodity groups, non-agricultural groups, urban groups, and others address some of the more important pest management issues on a regional or statewide scale. The Alliance program is devoted to reducing risks associated with pesticide use, while establishing a dialogue between Alliance groups and DPR. DPR recognizes that the commercial adoption of reduced-risk practices is necessary to achieve sustained change. As such, implementation of reduced-risk practices should be an integral part of an Alliance. Alliance groups are asked to establish a team, evaluate their existing pest management system, and develop a proposal to demonstrate alternative practices that have shown success in the field. Groups can receive up to \$100,000 per year, with a required dollar-for-dollar match. A total of approximately \$300,000 is available through this RFP. Funding is available for demonstration, education and outreach activities. Proposals are due at the 3rd floor reception desk of 1001 I Street in Sacramento by 4:00pm, Thursday, October 24, 2002.

*Successful Alliances include groups with broad influence such as commodity, professional or industry organizations that can facilitate widespread adoption of reduced-risk practices.*

## PRIORITIES FOR FUNDING

DPR has legal mandates to assure the proper, safe, and efficient use of pesticides while protecting workers, consumers, and the environment. Projects must be designed to reduce pesticide risks in agricultural and nonagricultural settings. Based on DPR's mandates and regulatory concerns as well as current pest management needs in California, the following types of projects will be given priority for funding in 2002:

- ◆ Alternatives to highly toxic pesticides in the following categories:
  - Organophosphates and carbamates
  - Proposition 65 pesticides
  - Toxicity Category I products
  - Restricted use materials
  - Methyl bromide and other fumigants
- ◆ Reduced worker exposure to pesticides by implementation of reduced-risk pest management practices.
- ◆ Pest management practices that protect surface and ground water quality.
- ◆ Integrated pest management in public schools and other public buildings.
- ◆ Reduced-risk approaches for residential pest management in urban and suburban areas.
- ◆ Alternatives to secondary pest problems that arise after moving to a pest management system that relies on reduced-risk approaches.
- ◆ Reduced-risk practices for new or exotic pests.

## SUBMISSION DEADLINE

Proposals for Pest Management Alliance Grant projects are due at the 3rd floor reception desk of 1001 I Street, Sacramento by 4:00 p.m., Thursday, October 24, 2002.

*The submittal deadline for all proposals is 4:00 p.m. Proposals that miss the deadline cannot be accepted.*

## PROPOSAL REVIEW

DPR's Pest Management Advisory Committee (PMAC) reviews all proposals. The PMAC was established in law to advise DPR on pest management issues. The committee is a broad stakeholder group comprised of growers, processors, industry, public interest groups, public and private research and educational institutions, government agencies, and individuals knowledgeable about pest management.

The PMAC will evaluate and rate proposals based on criteria in the RFP. Equal consideration will be given to existing and new projects. Awards will be made based on highest score until all funds are exhausted.