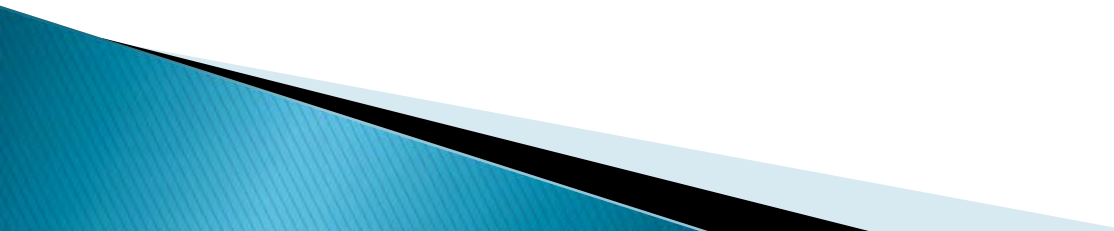


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School IPM State Pilot Update
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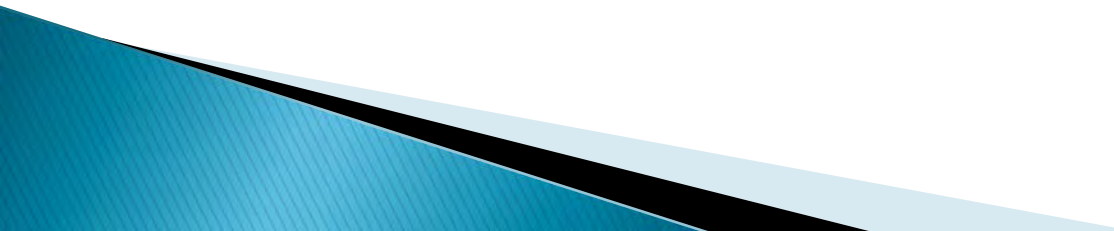
Background

- ▶ PPDC IPM Workgroup recommendation from July 2013 meeting.
 - ▶ EPA agreed to explore developing a focused project to advance school IPM in a few states.
 - ▶ Pilot project would involve partnerships with key state organizations, supported by EPA's Center of Expertise for School IPM, EPA's Regional Offices, and the PPDC IPM Workgroup.
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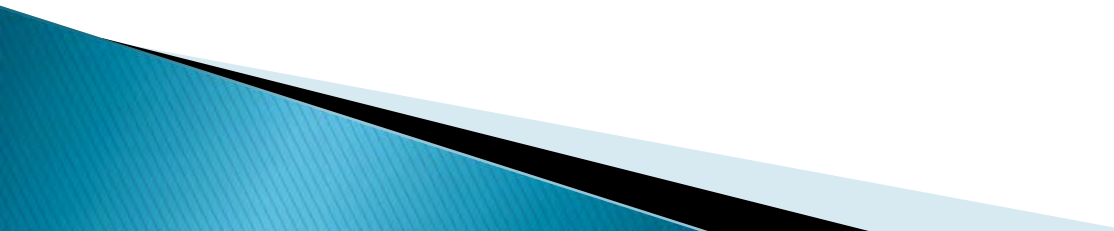
School IPM State Pilot

- ▶ **Goal:** To initiate, develop, and provide tools for a sustainable school IPM program in a few states that are receptive to promoting IPM as a means of reduce children's exposure to pests and pesticides.
- ▶ **Objectives:** To implement School IPM in pilot states and promote an increased level of IPM adoption by school districts through various work products, such as:
 - Fact sheet identifying the quantitative benefits of IPM
 - Technical assistance, training, information/resources
 - IPM contract language for use by school procurement officials
 - Guidelines on how to design and implement a school IPM program

Process

- ▶ In August, 2013 EPA embarked on consultations with a project development team from the PPDC IPM Work Group.
 - ▶ Break-out Groups established for four areas:
 - State Selection
 - Key Partners
 - Metrics
 - Training
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Break-Out Group Recommendations

- ▶ State Selection
 - list of desirable attributes
 - ▶ Key Partners
 - delineation of roles/responsibilities
 - ▶ Metrics
 - six metrics to ensure success
 - ▶ Training
 - three criteria needed to ensure success
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Next Steps

- ▶ Dec. 4th PPDC IPM Work Group meeting
 - Report to full PPDC and follow-up on outcomes
 - ▶ Consider Dec. 6th PPDC recommendations
 - ▶ EPA consultations with Regional Offices and outreach to candidate States.
 - ▶ Scoping of state-specific pilot(s) with potential key partners, including roles and responsibilities, metrics, and training.
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