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Extension Comments on Worker Safety Regulatory Changes

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Process Comments

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- Issue papers delivered on a reasonable, but tight schedule for comments
- Appreciated conference call schedule of which papers were to be discussed
- Issue paper details and definitions were not sufficiently well-defined to provide detailed comment, realize that is anticipated as the next step.

Process Comments

- Has been open and comments readily accepted
- PREP course input was critical to gain further clarifications and possible delineations of issues
- PPDC Workgroup meeting for information exchange is important
- Need sufficient time for next papers

Impacts on Extension

- Really impacts on training conducted by:
 - Extension
 - SLAs
 - Industry and Associations

Training Impacts

Funding and Time Commitments

Other Program Responsibilities

- Manual development and revisions
- Exam development and revisions
- Pre-certification training courses
- Recertification/CEU lectures, courses, workshop, clinics, Internet
- Train the trainer (handler, Cert Appl)
- Information resource

Extension Network

(exams, training, coordination, TtT)

- Extension Specialists: pesticide safety & registration, weed science, plant pathology, entomology, toxicology, chemistry, urban/ag IPM, turf, urban horticulture, water quality, soil science, forestry, engineers
- Extension Associates
- Extension Agents: agriculture, rangeland, urban
- Non-extension researchers
- Support staff: typesetters, editors, graphics, video, web, receptionists, conference managers
- (at WSU – over 100 personnel)

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■ Service areas:

- Turf/Ornamental
- Structural & General PCO
- School IPM
- Agriculture, Range, Forest, Ranchettes
- Rights of way, Aquatics, Public Health
- Stored commodity, Seed treatment
- Farm labor and safety