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## **Notice of Meeting and Agenda for the Task Force on the Regulation of Structural Pest Management**

The Task Force on the Regulation of Structural Pest Management (OPM Task Force) gives notice that it will hold a meeting open to the public on Wednesday, September 14, 2011 beginning at 10:00 a.m. in Room 206 of the Arizona Department of Agriculture, 1688 W. Adams St., Phoenix, Arizona. Members of the OPM Task Force will attend either in person or by telephone conference call. The Task Force may vote to hold an executive session for the purpose of obtaining legal advice on any matter listed on the agenda pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3).

The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

1. Roll Call – Jack Peterson, Chairman & OPM Acting Director
2. Current Status of the Office of Pest Management and coordination with the Department of Agriculture, including:
  - Listserv Signup – <http://listsrv.azda.gov/> - Jack Peterson
3. Review and discussion of possible organizational configurations within the Department of Agriculture for structural pest management regulation, including:
  - Review of current organizational structure of the Office of Pest Management and the Department of Agriculture's Environmental Services Division. – PowerPoint – Jack Peterson
4. Personnel and funding issues relating to the administration of structural pest management regulation within the Department of Agriculture (consider licensing changes and impact on funding)
5. Review of all laws and regulations governing structural pest management in Arizona and changes necessary to accomplish the future structural pest management program, including: (Please bring your copies of the laws and rules)
  - Office of Pest Management staff recommendations on changes needed to OPM rules and laws
    - i. Certification/Licensing requirements – including insurance needs
      1. How do we reduce the burden on industry?
        1. Does everyone need the same level of training/experience for certification?
        2. Is a QP needed or do we just need a responsible individual?
      - ii. Criminal background checks – do we need them for everyone?
    - Department of Agriculture's existing statutory framework and regulatory scheme related to pesticides
      - i. Review of powers and authority statutes - comparisons and rules that fit – handout
6. Executive Session to obtain legal advice pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3) on any matter listed on the agenda
7. Call to the Public (2 minute limit per speaker)

This is the time for the public to comment. Members of the Task Force may not discuss items that are not specifically identified on the agenda. Therefore, in response to public comments made on issues that are not listed on the agenda, the Task Force is limited to directing staff to study the matter, responding to any criticism or scheduling the matter for further consideration and decision at a later date.

8. Set Next Meeting Date
9. Adjourn

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Dated this 13th day of September, 2011