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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 Tuesday, May 15, 2012 beginning at 10:00 a.m. in room 206 of the Arizona Department of Agriculture, 1688 W Adams Street, Phoenix. 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
 - Changes, updates or other items out of the ordinary
3. Topic discussions and possible actions
 - **Recommendations to date from the TF:**
 - i. no inactive license requirements – all licenses whether active or inactive have to obtain *Continuing Education Units* (CEU) and pay to continue licensure and certification,
 - ii. continue holding OPM CEU classes dealing with laws, rules and keeping persons in compliance,
 - iii. discontinue state required criminal background investigations,
 - iv. continue *Termite Action Report Form* (TARF) at reduced fee,
 - v. business names go through the *Secretary of State* or *Arizona Corporation Commission* and only address when names are misleading, and
 - vi. continue the requirement for a *Qualifying Party*
 - Review and discussion of overall draft statutory and regulatory language that is prepared to come to final recommendations. Major focus will be on the draft rule package. In addition the following topics were slated for additional change and discussion.
 - i. Golf courses what regulatory changes will be required
 - ii. Reporting – review draft language - groundwater

- iii. 18 - Minimum age for certification
- iv. What to regulate - devices and people who do not use pesticides
- v. Required Criminal background investigations – law required – not state driven
- vi. Qualifying party
 - 1. Private registration – business license exemption
 - 2. State agency and political subdivisions – requiring a qualifying party
 - 3. Are the requirements set right? Ability to obtain and broaden
- Future deadlines – legislative action in 2013, drafting of legislation and associated rules – other changes that are needed that have not been discussed

Old Business – task force purpose as laid out in the legislation may be discussed during any discussion items or as separate discussions - the task force shall submit findings and recommendations, relating to OPM including:

- i. Review of all laws and regulations
 - ii Review organizational configurations within the ADA
 - iii. Review of personnel and funding issues for administration within the ADA.
 - iv. Statutory changes
4. Executive Session to obtain legal advice pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3) on any matter listed on the agenda
 5. Call to the Public (2 minute limit per speaker)

This is the time for the public to comment on items relating to the Task Force's purpose and discussions held or wished to be discussed in the future. 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.

6. Set Next Meeting Date and Topic Discussion
7. Adjourn

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Dated this 14th day of May, 2012