



## IPM Priorities:

Results from Focus Sessions  
(Final Plenary Session)



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## Urban Horticulture

1. Create tools for public education
2. Research various pests (see master list)
3. Determine thresholds on various pests
4. IPM Recognition Program for Golf Courses and Nurseries
5. Golf Supervisor IPM Education
6. Pesticide Review of turf and ornamental product availability
7. Non-target effects of pesticides
8. Educate cities on use of IPM
9. Develop standard for "Earth-friendly"



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## Community IPM (1): Education

- **School staff**
- **Public**
- **Use innovative methods**
- **Recognize IPM as health benefit**
- **Access key district administration**
- **Get buy-in/implementation**
- **IPM reality show**
- **Invertebrates in school curriculum**



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## Community IPM (2): Industry Standard for IPM

- **Standardized tools**
- **Accountability**
- **Recognition**
- **Promote RFP (vs. bid process)**
- **In schools, facilities, and buildings**



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## Community IPM (3): Leverage Funds

- Utilize stakeholders
- Compete for national level funds
- Explore creative funding sources
- Legislating funding for IPM



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## Agricultural IPM (1)

- Multi-pest IPM Research & Education (Level II & III)
- Veggie/Melon, better herbicides & insecticides for thrips & aphids
- Herbicide resistant weeds
- Educational needs - crop\*crop, resistance, and labor
- Exotic pest introductions
- Improved lygus control (crop\*crop)



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## Agricultural IPM (2)

- **Enhanced public (e.g., federal) funding**
- **Explore tax credits**
- **Develop industry support for grants**
- **More IPM training for field workers**
- **Facilitate PMSP process (w/ funding & human resources)**
- **Urban / Youth education**
- **Genetic improvement of crops (breeding and engineering for resistance)**



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## Agricultural IPM (3)

- **Get attention of U of A and CALS administration**
- **Streamline interagency funding**
- **Facilitate & reward interdisciplinary IPM research & education**
- **Funding of multitactical projects**
- **Expand involvement in exotic pest survey work including industry & University**



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## Noxious & Invasive Weeds (1)

### 1. Funding for all phases

- Tax-based funding
- State lottery
- State of AZ strategic plan,
- PMSP



### 2. Statewide mapping & Distribution database

- Personnel,
- GPS units,
- centralized database manager (e.g. Swemp)
- Etc.



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## Noxious & Invasive Weeds (2)

### 3. State of AZ strategic plan for statewide mgt. Of pest plants

- underway
- Lobby for governor approval



### 4. Research on pest plant biology, ecology, I.D. & treatment statewide

- \$
- APMC proposal
- Competitive funding
- Multi-year funded research projects



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## Noxious & Invasive Weeds (3)

5. Increase public awareness & provide pest plant education
6. Statewide early detection, rapid response process
7. Improve communication and coordination among state, local and federal groups to establish partnerships (private, NGOs, agencies, etc.)



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