

Amendments to Cosmetic Pesticide Legislation – Bill 22

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We are here today to talk
about cosmetic pesticide
legislation
and listen to what you
have to say.



Bill 22 – The Environment Amendment Act

- March 14, 2022 – Bill 22 proposes changes to Manitoba's cosmetic pesticide legislation.
- The Association of Manitoba Municipalities and Manitoba Nursery Landscape Association participated in the announcement.



Pesticide Regulatory Framework

Federal

Health Canada

- Pest Control Products Act
- Registration
- Risk Assessment
- Compliance and Enforcement

Provincial

Manitoba Environment, Climate and Parks

- Permits
- Spills
- Compliance

Manitoba Agriculture

- Training and Certification
- Extension

Municipal

- Bylaws for municipal (and in some cases residential/private) lands only

Health Canada's Role

Health Canada

- Safeguard
 - human health
 - environment
- Value
- Regular risk assessment
- Employs over 350 scientists



Current Cosmetic Pesticide Restrictions

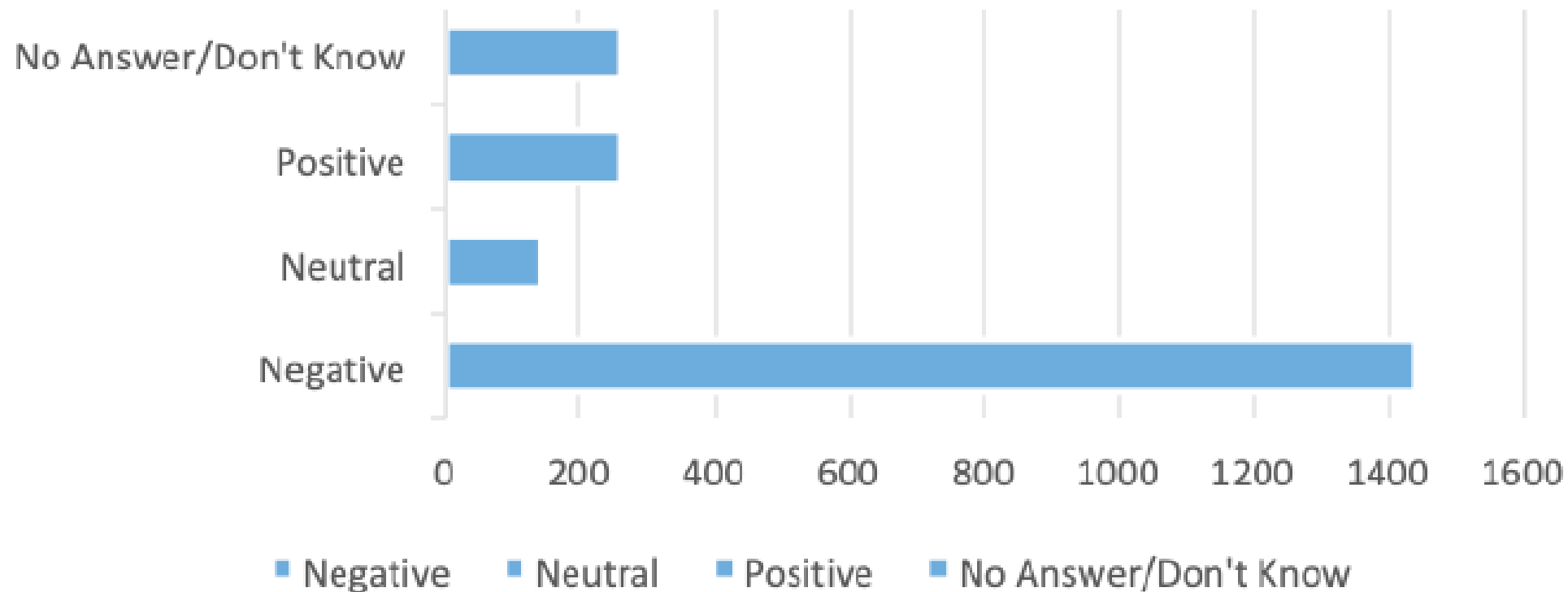
- Focus on weed control.
- Restrict the use and sale of cosmetic pesticides for lawn care.
- Only “allowable products” may be used:
 - Iron based lawn weed killer
 - Horticultural vinegars
 - Corn gluten meal
 - Bio-pesticides

What We Heard – Public Consultation

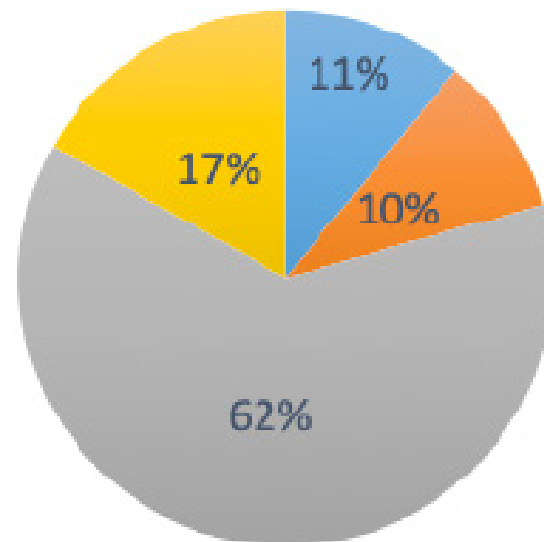
- Survey to seek feedback on cosmetic pesticide legislation.
- Over 2,100 responded.
 - Businesses
 - Municipalities
 - Non-government organizations
 - Members of the public



How has the regulation affected you as an individual, a business, an organization, or as a representative of a municipality?

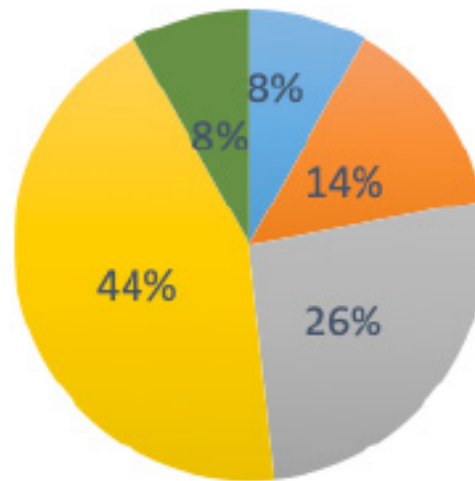


Do you think that the restrictions on the sale and use of cosmetic pesticides are appropriate? Are they...



■ Adequate ■ Not Strict Enough ■ Too Strict ■ No Answer/Don't Know

Do you support the current restrictions on the cosmetic use of pesticides or in what ways would you suggest the regulation be expanded or reduced? The restrictions are/should be



■ Adequate ■ Expanded ■ Reduced ■ Rescinded ■ No answer/Don't know

What We Heard from Municipalities

- Alternative pesticides products:
 - expensive
 - less effective
 - more applications needed

Key Changes

Clarifies restrictions on cosmetic pesticides.

Remove requirements placed on retailers.

Out of an abundance of caution, four new sensitive areas added.

What is changing for Municipalities?

Existing Sensitive Areas

Schools

Hospitals

Child care centres

New Sensitive Areas

Municipal playgrounds

Picnic areas

Dog parks

Provincial parks



What is changing for Municipalities?

Remove restrictions for pesticide use on lawns.

Clarifies pesticide use on:

- Boulevards
- Sidewalks
- Right-of-ways
- Fairgrounds

What is not changing for municipalities?

Pesticide Use Permits

- Pesticide Use Permits
- Annual Public Notice
- Annual Reports

Commercial Applicators

- Commercial Pesticide Applicators Licence

Certification Requirements

- Core
- Rural Municipal

What is changing for homeowners?

- Health Canada approved pesticides will be allowed on lawns.
- Products will be easier to buy.
- Commercial applicators will be able to apply commercial class products on lawns (e.g. 2,4-D).

Future State – Cosmetic Pesticide Use

Beautiful, usable green spaces.

Boulevards and sidewalks.

All Health Canada approved pesticides allowed on lawns.



Key Messages

Enhanced green space areas.

Protect the environment with a science based approach.

Out of an abundance of caution, protect children and pets.

Only Health Canada assessed and approved pesticides.

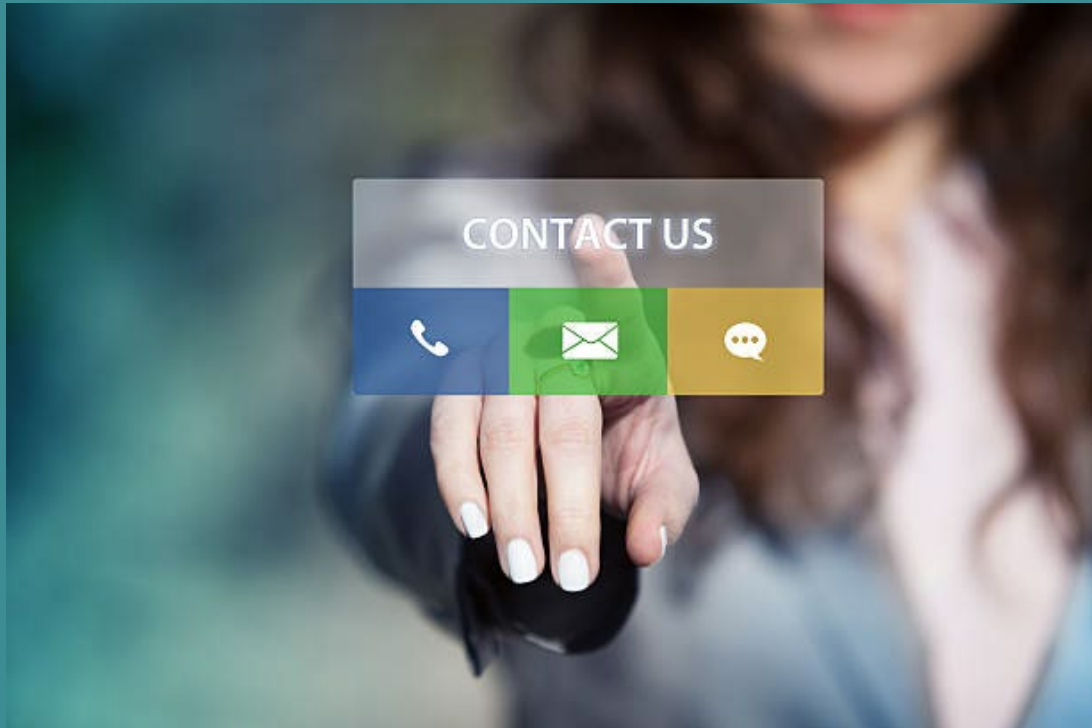
Manitoba's better protected than other prairie provinces.

Next Steps – Pesticide Use Permits

Work with stakeholders to:

- Define new sensitive areas:
 - playgrounds
 - picnic areas
 - dog parks
 - provincial parks
- Revise pesticide use permits.

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