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# Prohibition RESCINDED

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## Organic Pesticides INEFFECTIVE

Ashland is a city in the State of Oregon, with a population of over 20,000.

It is the home of Southern Oregon University and Oregon Shakespeare Festival.

In 2010, under pressure from Anti–Pesticide Activists, the Ashland parks department decided to forgo (i.e. PROHIBIT) the use of most conventional pest control products.

In early 2012, parks department staff reported that so-called ORGANIC PESTICIDES proved largely INEFFECTIVE for controlling weeds in Ashland parks during 2011.

Organic pesticides contain ingredients such as citrus oil, castor oil, and clove oil, which are FALSELY considered to be safer than conventional products.



## Anti-Pesticide Prohibition RESCINDED

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That presents a LIABILITY ISSUE for the parks department.

Parks staff and volunteers from sports teams RIDICULOUSLY ATTEMPTED TO FIGHT the weeds through methods such as roto-tilling the dirt and raking.

Consequently, Ashland parks commissioners unanimously RESCINDED PRO-HIBITION, and RE-AUTHORIZED THE USE OF CONVENTIONAL PEST CON-TROL PRODUCTS on the baseball and softball infields at North Mountain Park and Hunter Park.

Workers also were hampered by parks rules for EARLY SIGN-POSTING 48 hours before the application of organic pesticides.



## Early Sign-Posting RESCINDED

In late February 2012, commissioners unanimously RESCINDED EARLY SIGN-POSTING only because it was inconvenient.

Instead, signs will be posted ONLY **WHEN** THE APPLICATION IS BEING PERFORMED.

In 2011, Ashland parks department had budgeted an EXTRA 10,000 DOL-LARS for staff labor and supplies for the application of organic pesticides.

2011

2010

Cost of products

\$ 1,841

\$ 169

Organic herbicides

Conventional herbicides



Ashland spent 1,841 dollars on organic herbicides, the major category for pesticides used in parks.

In contrast, the parks department spent 169 dollars on conventional herbicides in 2010.

Spending on organic herbicides was higher in 2011 because workers can dilute chemical herbicides with more water before application.

Conventional pest control products can be bought in smaller, concentrated quantities.

Also, parks staff GAVE UP ON USING THE ORGANIC PRODUCTS.

In the Dog Park parking area, parks staff tried to burn weeds along concrete and asphalt with PROPANE TORCHES, but that was NOT EFFECTIVE.

The weeds GREW BACK and had to be chopped down.

The Ashland parks department has fielded some COMPLAINTS ABOUT WEEDS.

Parks staff have proposed careful use of conventional pest control products on most of the non-parkland and for North Mountain Park and Hunter Park baseball and softball infields.

Conventional pest control products would not be used on school grounds.

The only maintenance done on school grounds is mowing.

Conventional pest control products would be allowed to control noxious weeds and weeds that pose a fire hazard, under the parks staff proposal.



Organic and Pesticide-Free Maintenance Practices Are DISMAL FAILURES

They Represent a MAJOR THREAT to the LEGITIMATE Green Space Industry

Enviro-Vermin Promoting These Practices Must Be Eradicated from the Green Space Industry

Rat them out!





We are living in the 9|11 Era of Anti Pesticide Terrorism where at least ONE SUBVERSIVE ACT OF TERROR is Perpetrated EVERY SINGLE DAY by enviro lunatics.

We are living in the DARK AGE OF ANTI PESTICIDE TERRORISM where sound science is trumped by FAKE SCIENTISTS, JUNK SCIENCE and UNVERIFIABLE SECRET EVIDENCE through FABRICATION, INNUENDO, and INTERNET RUMOUR — scientific research PROVES that pest control products CAUSE NO HARM and can be USED SAFELY.

NORAHG is the National Organization Responding Against HUJE that seek to harm the Green space industry.

NORAHG morally represents the VAST SILENT MAJORITY of people associated with turf and ornamental plant maintenance who are OP-POSED to Anti Pesticide PROHIBITION and the CLOSURE of green spaces under the RIDICULOUS PRETEXT of somehow « saving » the environment.

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NORAHG is dedicated to reporting the work of RESPECTED and HIGHLY RATED EXPERTS who promote ENVIRONMENTAL REALISM and PESTICIDE TRUTHS.

Anti Pesticide HUJE are enviro lunatics and lawn haters who particularly DESPISE the golf industry — they are Hateful Underhanded Jokes as Environmentalists who have been WRONG FOR OVER 50 YEARS.

There is NO RECOURSE but LITIGATION against Anti Pesticide HUJE.

Another RECOURSE is to SEEK the CANCELLATION of GOVERNMENT GRANTS and REVOCATION of the TAX EXEMPT STATUS of Ant Pesticide Organizations.

HUJE should Get OFF Our grASS, and they should Roast In Hell.

NORAHG manages the Library of Force Of Nature Reports and References, which is a VAST ARCHIVE of REPORTS, MEDIA REFERENCES, AUDIO CLIPS, and VIDEOS on ALL Anti Pesticide Terrorist Acts of Subversion.

The purpose of this ARCHIVE is to provide information that will lead to a SUCCESSFUL LITIGATION AGAINST Anti-Pesticide Organizations.

All names, statements, activities, and affiliations have been ARCHIVED for the intention of eventual CRIMINAL CHARGES.

When CRIMINAL CHARGES for FRAUD and CONSPIRACY are laid, legal experts say that the ARCHIVE is sufficient to lead to a SUCCESSFUL PROSECUTION!

NORAHG also produces FORCE OF NATURE, reports that present THE WHOLE TRUTH FROM AN INDEPENDENT PERSPECTIVE about environmental issues, including anti-pesticide terrorism.

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Finally, NORAHG frequently responds to anti pesticide activists in LETTERS TO THE EDITOR in newspapers across Canada and around the world.

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FORCE OF NATURE, A LOOK AT, and their various incarnations, was the brainchild of William H. Gathercole and his colleagues in 1991. Mr. Gathercole is now retired, although his name continues to appear as founder.

Here is a brief summary of Mr. Gathercole's career -

Fields of study — Horticulture/Agriculture, Mathematics, Physics

Alma mater — McGill University • University of Guelph • the first person ever to obtain university degrees and contribute to both the professional lawn care and golf maintenance industries

Expertise in — environmental issues and anti pesticide terrorism • turf and ornamental maintenance and troubleshooting • history of the industry • sales and distribution of seeds, chemicals, fertilizers, and equipment • fertilizer manufacturing and distribution

Notable activities — worked in virtually all aspects of the green space industry, including golf, professional lawn care, distribution, environmental compliance, government negotiations, public affairs, and workplace safety • supervisor, consultant, and, programmer for the successful execution of hundreds of thousands of management operations in the golf and urban landscape, as well as millions of pest control applications • advisor, instructor, and trainer for thousands of turf and ornamental managers and technicians • pesticide certification instructor for thousands of industry workers • founder of the modern professional lawn care industry • prolific writer for industry publications and e-newsletters • first to confirm the invasion of European Chafer insect in both the Montreal region and the Vancouver / Fraser Valley region • with Dr. Peter Dernoeden, confirmed the presence of Take All Patch as a disease of turf in Eastern Canada • with Dr. David Shetlar, confirmed the presence of Kentucky Bluegrass Scale as an insect pest in South Western Ontario, and later, in the Montreal and Vancouver regions

Special contributions — creator of the exception status that has allowed the golf industry to avoid being subjected to anti pesticide prohibition • creator of the signs that are now used for posting after application • co-founder of annual winter convention for Quebec golf course superintendents • the major influence in the decision by Canadian Cancer Society to stop selling for profit pesticide treated daffodils • the only true reliable witness of the events of anti pesticide prohibition in the town of Hudson, Quebec • retired founder of FORCE OF NATURE and A LOOK AT reports

Notable award — the very first man of the year for contributions leading to the successful founding of Quebec professional lawn care industry, which served as a beach–head against anti pesticide activists in the 1980s and 1990s

Legacy — Mr. Gathercole and his colleagues ... designed and implemented strategies that reined anti pesticide activists to provide peace and prosperity for the entire modern green space industry across Canada • orchestrated legal action against anti pesticide activists in the town of Hudson, Quebec • launched the largest founding professional lawn care business in Canada • quadrupled the business revenues of one of the largest suppliers in Canada

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