

PACIFIC Committed to safe, sustainable, **LANDSCAPE MANAGEMENT** low-impact practices as it relates to herbicide use in the landscape.

Integrated Pest Management

Pacific Landscape Management, PLM, recognizes the importance of sound environmental stewardship and is committed to optimizing its landscape management practice to protect the environment within.

The cornerstone of environmental stewardship is the philosophy of Integrated Pest Management (IPM). IPM is a management system that utilizes systematic, disciplined and documented practices as a first line of defense for pest control. Mechanical strategies, such as proper mowing and pruning, also contribute to plant health and will be implemented. Biological control options will be considered and utilized whenever feasible.

When cultural practices are not fully effective at controlling pests, nor considered economical, the use of herbicides to manage pest damage will be necessary. Herbicides are always applied according to the label and applied directly to the intended pest rather than broadcast applications. A full copy of our 25-page IPM plan can be provided upon request.

Low-Impact Herbicides

As part of our IPM program, we have also adopted the standard of limiting products in our maintenance program to those that qualify as “low-impact” herbicide under ORS 634.700(4). “Low-impact herbicide” means a product that contains a herbicide product or active ingredient that:

- (1) Has been evaluated for a signal word (i.e. registered) by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), or it must meet the EPA criteria for minimum risk herbicides under FIFRA Section 25(b).
- (2) **Does not** contain a herbicide product or active ingredient that has the signal words “warning” or “danger” on the label; (For more information about signal words, see <https://oda.fyi/SignalWords>)
- (3) **Does not** contain a herbicide product or active ingredient with the EPA cancer classification: (Check the EPA cancer classification for each ingredient listed on the label using the following EPA resource: <https://oda.fyi/EvaluatedChemicals>)
 - “Human Carcinogen”
 - “Carcinogenic to Humans”
 - “Probable Human Carcinogen”
 - “Likely to be Carcinogenic to Humans”

Under Oregon school IPM law, school grounds managers are required to follow these same guidelines to ensure they are using the safest possible herbicides. PLM has chosen to adhere to these guidelines for the safety of its employees, customers and their stakeholders.