



ENHANCEMENT: Integrated Pest Management (IPM) focusing on the Pest Prevention/Avoidance components of the Prevention/Avoidance/Monitoring/Suppression (PAMS) IPM technique and according to CES recommendations.

BENEFITS

- Reliance on pesticides is minimized.
- Risks to water quality, air quality, and wildlife are minimized through reduced pesticide usage.
- Improvement in the crop production system.

CRITERIA

To be eligible for this enhancement payment, fields must meet the following criteria.

- The IPM plan shall be in accordance with CES recommendations and guidelines.
- Reliance on pesticides is minimized through the IPM approach focusing on prevention or avoidance techniques. Examples of prevention are using pest free seed (treated seed) and preventing weeds from making seed by mechanical means or herbicide use. Continued use of the herbicide would be the suppression phase of PAMS and not allowed in this case. Examples of avoidance are crop rotation such that the crop of choice is not a host for the pest or choosing cultivars with genetic resistance to a pest.
- All crops in a rotation shall be treated with an IPM plan.

RECORDKEEPING

In order to verify performance with these criteria, you must complete the following records.

Field	Crop Year	Crop	Date of IPM Plan	