



Integrated Pest Management (IPM)

What is IPM?

IPM stands for Integrated Pest Management.

The definition of IPM from the National IPM Network is the following:

"IPM is a sustainable approach to managing pests by combining biological, cultural, physical and chemical tools in a way that minimizes economic, health, and environmental risks."

Integrated Pest Management (IPM) affects North Dakota's largest industry, agriculture. One of the primary missions of IPM is to help growers produce profitable crops using environmentally and economically sound approaches. These IPM tools contribute to a system that produces high-quality, safe, and affordable foods and other agriculturally related products. For many growers, IPM helps balance pest management with profitable crop production and environmental protection. IPM also reaches beyond agriculture to include pest management in landscape and home settings.

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