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Help Wanted – Test Re-writes - March 20, 2014

At the PMAC meeting on March 6th the individual members of the PMAC took on the responsibility of chairing groups that are tasked with rewriting certification exams for both the certified applicators (CA) and the certified qualifying applicators (CQA). Following are the PMAC members and the five groups they will lead.

Steve Thoenes – Industrial and Institutional

Linda Harrington – Wood Destroying Inspection and Treatment

Kirk Smith – Aquatic

Kirk Smith - Ornamental and Turf and Right of Way

Ruth Leo – Fumigation

Please review the following document (specifically pages 1-5) which will help guide the exam development.

http://www.ctaginfo.org/pdf-documents/Flexible%20ExamManual%20Dev%20Process_July07.pdf

We are seeking volunteers to help in rewriting the exams for both CAs and CQAs. Please consider volunteering. Initially more volunteers will be needed to do the task analysis. After that the committee chair will select about 5 to continue on in the development process.

To be on a committee you must be a licensed CA or CQA in that category. We request that business licensees please allow certified applicators to help out with the certified applicator groups – at least in the task analysis portion. I wish I could provide you with how much time will be needed. We understand that everyone may not be able to make every meeting. Each committee chair is committed to do this in as efficient of manner as possible. The goal is to complete the exam rewrite by July 1, 2015.

If you are interested – please submit your name, e-mail, daytime phone number and CA or CQA number to jpeterson@azda.gov. In the subject line please put: Volunteer – Category (put whatever category you are willing to help with, such as Volunteer – Industrial and Institutional CQA or Volunteer – Fumigation - CA). If you are willing to help with more than one, please add that information to the body of your e-mail. If you have any questions please feel free to contact PMAC members, Robert, Vince or I. **(Submittal Deadline – April 13, 2014)** Thank you for your consideration.

Jack Peterson