

57TH ANNUAL CALIFORNIA WEED SCIENCE SOCIETY CONFERENCE PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS

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MISSION STATEMENT

The California Weed Science Society provides information exchange on weed science and technology through an annual conference, publications, and other activities; advises stakeholders on matters pertaining to weeds; facilitates cooperation among individuals, agencies, and organizations; encourages careers in weed science; and promotes professional growth and interaction for its members in California.

A POLL OF GROWERS AND PCA'S: TOP CONCERNS

- Need to educate the Public
- New chemicals
- New technologies

EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC SECTOR:

- Issues that affect Agriculture and the public
- As a Society we need to help educate the public

AVAILABILITY OF NEW HERBICIDE

- 10 to 15 years of research
- \$ 50 million plus
- Low a.i.'s
- lower amounts per ac
- Fewer manufacturers
- More laws restricting registration of materials
- Risk cup assessment
- ADI
- Environmental concerns
- Politics

FUTURE OF THE SOCIETY

- Our Bylaws have been adopted
- New Board of Directors

Thank you
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