



PERC

Pesticide Educational Resources Collaborative

Advisory Board Openings

The [Pesticide Educational Resources Collaborative \(PERC\)](#) relies on a robust, diverse [Advisory Board](#) to make decisions, set priorities, and participate in strategic planning. With five years under our belts, we are honored to find that several Advisors have chosen to stay on the Board since its inception. Many others are currently serving, or they made critical contributions before moving on, and we are so grateful. Annual meetings of the Advisory Board routinely get high marks for productivity and knowledge-sharing.

In its second project period (2021-2026), PERC will continue to create or update educational resources in response to stakeholder needs. However, two additional emphasis areas will dominate:

- 1) Creating new manuals and exams for the purpose of initial certification of pesticide applicators and/or category certification, guided by 40 CFR Part 171
- 2) Executing a new funding program for agricultural community-based projects that reduce risk for farmworkers, their families, or communities

Applicants with passion for these priorities and demonstrated experience are encouraged to apply. ***We are especially hopeful to attract representation from the northeast, south, and tribal pesticide programs.***

Job Activities

- Prioritization/selection of projects
- Review of draft programs/resources
- Review of agricultural community-based project applications
- Evaluation of completed works
- Polling/gauging their constituencies about unmet needs
- Promoting PERC programs/resources in your constituent regions/sectors, and
- Participating in monthly Advisory Board meetings, one of which may be in person each year

Time Allocation

Advisory Board members are key thought leaders, often serving multiple one-year terms. The following are rough estimates of the average ***annual*** time commitment.

- Three days (3) participating in monthly PERC Advisory Board meetings, held monthly for approximately two (2) hours
- Four to Six (4-6) days reviewing/revising PERC draft publications
- Two to Three (2-3) days reviewing Ag Community-Based Project applications
- Three to four (3-4) days traveling to attend up to one (1) workshop/meeting in person. Every effort will be made to convene the PERC Advisory Board meeting in conjunction with a national meeting

which will leverage the greatest chance for maximum attendance. Optionally, Board members may also travel to deliver presentations, solicit feedback about PERC resources, and/or represent PERC in other ways. The annual Advisory Board may also be held virtually, pending pandemic and other considerations.

Competition/Conflict of Interest

It is understood that Advisory Board members represent organizations that perform pesticide safety education activities, which may overlap with some PERC goals and/or publications. Selected Advisory Board members will commit to seeking win-win approaches that do not put the PERC in direct competition with any other entity.

Qualifications

PERC Administrators are seeking new thought partners with the following attributes/experience:

- Experience creating educational materials and/or programs related to pesticides (required of all Advisory Board members)
- Currently work in a university capacity providing pesticide-related safety instruction and/or materials/programming to meet local needs
- Currently work in a regulatory agency (Tribal, State, or Federal) providing compliance assistance and instruction with pesticide-related regulations and/or administer a certification/training program for professional pesticide applicators
- Currently work in an educational and/or regulatory capacity with farmworkers or their advocates, providing instruction/guidance on pesticide-related issues
- Currently work in an organization representing and/or instructing a pest control/pesticide industry, providing instruction/guidance on pesticide-related issues
- Routinely deliver training to pesticide users on safety-related topics
- Have knowledge, experience, and connections in the communities that use pesticides in one of the following US regions: Southern, Northeastern, North Central, and/or Western
- Hold an active license/certification as a pesticide applicator, pesticide consultant, crop consultant, or health/safety/WPS trainer
- Speak and/or write fluently in a language other than English
- Participate actively as a member/part of AAPSE, CTAG, AAPCO, ASPCRO, TTPC, TPSA, AFOP, or similar organization

To Apply

Please send a letter of interest (1-2 pages) to PERCsupport@ucdavis.edu by Friday, January 6, 2023. Please include all the following:

- Introduce yourself and tell us how you learned about PERC.
- List the qualifications (above) that apply to you and indicate roughly the number of years

(FTE) that you have met each criterion. In some cases, we honor experience by adding “points” for each decade.

- Please indicate your preferred approach for compensation, if any.

Candidates will be contacted by January 31, 2023. Thank you so much for your interest!