

63rd Civil Support Team – WMD

Illegal Pesticide Awareness Brief

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Current Operational Support



SUPPORT FROM 63RD CST

- 2024 63rd CST began supporting marijuana eradication efforts in support of Oklahoma Bureau of Narcotics and Oklahoma Attorney General's Office – Organized Crime Task Force (OAG-OCTF)
- Increasing frequency and probability of foreign pesticides since 2024
- Continual support to the State's marijuana eradication efforts

THREATS TO FIRST RESPONDERS

- Toxic exposure via inhalation and skin absorption
- Fumigants in grow operations emit toxic gases
- Secondary contamination increases the risk for exposure

The 63rd CST Law Enforcement Support in Oklahoma

KEY POINTS

- Foreign pesticides/fumigants found in illegal marijuana grows across Oklahoma and other states
- Identified toxic compounds include organophosphates, pyrethroids, carbamates, and fungicides
- A gap exists in current testing protocols for foreign pesticides



TAKE AWAY POINTS

- This isn't just a cannabis issue – it's WMD/hazmat adjacent
- These are dual-use compounds
- Exposure symptoms mirror nerve agent toxicity
- Sustain coordinated and integrated response across State agencies



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