

Mayor and Council members
City of Kelowna
1435 Water Street,
Kelowna, B.C., V1Y 1J4

Date

Dear Mayor and Council,

I/we are writing to encourage you as a Council to adopt a pesticide by-law in our community that would ban the use of cosmetic pesticides such as 2,4-D. It is well known that the majority of misuse of pesticides in our community is a direct result of homeowners. Alternatives to pesticides exist and can be implemented.

Pesticides are toxins that are well known to cause harm to humans and animals. As councilors, you have a mandate to protect the health of citizens in the community. Once sprayed, pesticides cannot be isolated. They spread through the air, ground and water. Pesticide exposure can occur to humans and animals when they transit through sprayed areas. Exposure can continue if they enter indoor premises with residues attached to their feet or hands. Taking action to restrict the use of pesticides will benefit the overall health of the community.

Restricting the use of pesticides will reduce contamination within the City and the lake. This will help improve water, ground and air quality. I/we respectfully request that you support the immediate implementation of a pesticide bylaw in our community. I/we look forward to your support on this issue.

Environmentally yours,

Name (Printed)

Signature

Address