Pesticide Risk Reduction Programme – Ethiopia Surface water protection goals

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#### Towards a sustainable use of pesticides in Africa

#### Outline



- Introduction to protection goals
- Stepped approach, now results of:
  - Define and describe options for protection goals: select and prioritise
  - Design conceptual models for protection goals

How to define protection goals into detail ? Answer questions:

- What do you want to protect ?
- Where ?
- When and how strict ?

Why is definition of protection goals important?

If protection goals have been defined into detail # we know which exposure concentrations we need to assess, so # we can design scenarios

Example: Protection goal for aquatic ecosystem:

no immediate effects are accepted in field ditches

Required exposure scenario:

peak concentration of dissolved pesticide in water of field ditches



## **Definition of protection goals: results**

PG	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
Ground water	-	2		3	1
Surface water	10	-	-	-	-
Aquatic ecosystem	-	2	2	1.	1
Soil ecosystem	-	6	2	1	-
Terrestrial ecosystem	-	-	6	2	

- First priority to protect is surface water (6 conceptual models in relevant scenario zones)
- Add one scenario for greenhouses





#### **Definition of protection goals: steps in detail**

5. Definition of conceptual model for protection goals

- Define conceptual model for each protection goal
- Start with conceptual models for 2-4 highest priority goals

- Conceptual model should contain all information relevant for determining the exposure
- Consists of a picture/drawing plus description

#### **Definition of protection goals: steps in detail**

5. Definition of conceptual model for protection goals

- If two fundamentally different situations exist for one protection goal, and it is a priori not evident which situation is the 'realistic worst case', then it may be necessary to design two conceptual models
  - e.g. surface water for drinking water from river, but also from lake with nearby intensive horticulture -> two lay outs needed

Elements conceptual model:

- 1. Details protection goal (drinking water for man or cattle, until when, irrigation water, aquatic ecosystem, exact patch/stretch to protect ?)
- 2. Entry routes (drift, runoff, drainage)
- 3. For drift:

# application techniques,

# distance crops-edge of water

- 4. Size water body (I \* w \* d, dynamics)
- 5. Size contributing area
- 6. Crops and treatment ratio of contributing area

- 1. Rift Valley lakes
- Drinking water for man and cattle
- E.g. lake Ziway, lake Nagano, select smallest lake







- 4. River Awash (main river)
- Downstream end of large scale agricultural area (cotton, sugarcane in NE site)
- Drinking water for man ?, cattle ?
- Irrigation downstream ?







- 6. Tributaries of Awash, Blue Nile etc
- Some run dry, some permanent
- Teff areas, no irrigation
- Drinking water for man and cattle
- Irrigation downstream ?





#### Rotation

- teff (2-4D, weed control)
- pulses (bolworm, aphids)
- wheat/maize (....)
- oil seeds (-) All in Kiremt

- We need set priorities, so limit number of protection goals for which we can work out the scenarios
- Proposal: take 2 most vulnerable goals, i.e. where we expect the highest concentrations

Proposal

- River type: stream/small river near villages, #3 entire Ethiopia (vulnerable+widespread)
- Pond/lake type: temporary pond, #2 (cattle drinking) Rift Valley, east Ethiopia (most vulnerable)

## **Definition of protection goals: next steps**







