City of Boulder – Hazard Tier Criteria for Approved Pesticide List

Allowed – Least hazardous	Conditional – More hazardous	Special Use – Most hazardous	<u>Failed</u> – Not allowed
Staff-level decision to use within parameters of IPM process*	Use limited to specific sites and/or pests and only by approved application method*	Must be no available effective non- chemical method or alternative products in lower tiers. Decrease exposure potential as much as possible to applicator, the public, non-target organisms and the environment. Pest must exceed threshold and pose specific hazard/cost that outweighs risks from pesticide. Requires ongoing search for less hazardous alternative or replacement*	Current hazard assessment and potential exposure to people or the environment is too high risk for use on city properties.
Active and inert ingredients meet criteria for EPA 25(b) Exemption or OMRI approved product or Human acute toxicity is low No evidence of carcinogenicity No evidence of neurotoxicity No evidence of reproductive toxicity No evidence of mutagenicity or other serious human health concerns Poses minimal harm to wildlife, soil health, ecosystem function or biodiversity Minimal concern as water pollutant Persistence less than 30 days Low to extremely low soil mobility Exceeds all criteria for conditional or restricted categories	 Low in acute toxicity and chronic health hazards Low or moderate toxicity to non-target organisms, including soil health and other ecosystem impacts Application method avoids or limits non-target organism exposure and/or risk Not listed as PBT (persistent, bioaccumulative or toxic chemical) Persistence less than 100 days or is mitigated by targeted application that minimizes exposure to soil and/or water Low or moderate soil mobility 	 EPA restricted use pesticide or Mammalian LD50 of 50 mg/kg or Systemic insecticide and/or Has one or more of the following factors: Known, likely or probable carcinogen Known or suspected reproductive toxin Probable or known endocrine disruptor Known or suspected mutagen Known or suspected neurotoxin Known or suspected to cause organ damage Known or suspected chromosomal or genetic damage Water pollutant Extremely/highly toxic to birds Extremely/highly toxic to aquatic organisms Extremely/highly toxic to bees Extremely/highly toxic to wildlife Persistence is greater than 100 days High or very high soil mobility Not listed as PBT (persistent, bioaccumulative or toxic chemical) 	 Product not registered with state of Colorado** Organophosphate chemicals Neonicotinoid insecticides Glyphosate herbicides Contains inert ingredient of EPA toxicological concern (List 1 or 2) Has one or more issues identified in the Special Use category without adequate or acceptable mitigation to address human health and/or environmental concerns. Disrupts ecosystem function or potentially impacts biodiversity objectives for the site Contributes significantly to build-up of greenhouse gases, climate change, or destruction of the ozone layer Significant risk to threatened or endangered species

^{*}Pesticides from all tiers may only be used as a last resort.

^{**} Does not apply to EPA 25(b) exempt products.