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## WSSA Committee Report

**COMMITTEE:** Environmental Aspects of Weed Management (E7)

**Date:**  
1/23/2025

**BOARD LIAISON:** Michael Flessner

**Include in Consent Agenda:**  Yes (no discussion needed, just informational update)

No (items in report require discussion or action)

Name	Term Ending	Region/Affiliation		Name	Term Ending	Region/Affiliation
Chair: Zahoor Ganie	2027	NE		Mayank Malik	2027	
Vipan Kumar	2027	NE				
Gurinderbir Chahal	2027	NC				
Rakesh Jain	2027	S				
Anil Shrestha	2027	W				

Reviewed MOP for updates:      x YES   NO

**Comments re: MOP:** It has not been easy to add new members to this committee. The Environmental Aspects of Weed Management Committee should start work on fact sheets/review papers among other required activities to keep the membership engaged and involved in fruitful effort that might fetch benefits such as publications.

**Management Committee shall:**

1. Consist of a Chair and a minimum of four other members, each appointed to a renewable three-year term. Members should reflect the diversity of society membership. Members must be involved professionally in environmental quality issues and should make an effort to attend all annual meetings of the Society and the committee. The Board liaison is Member-at-large B11.
2. Monitor, discuss and analyze those environmental quality issues and concerns which are likely to impact any area of weed science, and prepare draft responses for the Board of Directors to use in addressing such issues. Issues and concerns which the committee will monitor include (a) impending regulation and legislation, (b) popular issues, (c) state and regional issues, (d) computer simulation and modeling trends, (e) research approaches to environmental quality needs, and (f) extension and education needs.

**Committee Actions/Impacts/Activities:** 2025 was slow and the committee did not complete any of the proposed goals..

**Committee Meeting Schedule\*:** (Include all planned meeting dates and times): Yet to be decided for 2026.

**Budget needs:** There is no funding request, but plans are to request funds for the publication cost of the proposed manuscript based on the symposium that this committee conducted in 2024.

**Areas for improvement/concerns:** Need to improve the meeting by arranging quarterly meetings during the year and have clear goals and activities with action in the year. We need to encourage more members to join the committee and will try to do that more during the upcoming WSSA annual meeting in February 2026.

**Opportunities for future (symposia, speakers, communication, general):** There are opportunities to create educational factsheets on different environmental aspects of weed management. Further, a review paper to provide a comprehensive peer reviewed outlook of current body of knowledge on the environmental aspects of weed management should be considered.

\*This will be visible to all members for engagement.