THE PRESENTATION WILL START MOMENTARILY
RODENT ABATEMENT INFORMATION SESSION

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PRESENTERS

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AGENDA

• ABRA
  o Agency overview
  o Litter and rodent control requirements

• DC Health
  o Services, complaints, and responses
  o Enforcement
  o Grease and rodent management
  o Solutions

• Q&A
The Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration (ABRA) is an independent agency within DC Government charged with supporting the public’s health, safety and welfare through the control and regulation of the sale and distribution of alcoholic beverages and medical cannabis.

ABRA operates under the authority of the Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Board, made up of seven (7) DC residents nominated by the Mayor and confirmed by the DC Council. Donovan Anderson is the current ABC Board Chairperson.
ENFORCEMENT

• **§ 25-726. CONTROL OF LITTER** | Licensees are required to ensure that the immediate environs of the licensed establishment, including alleys, sidewalks, Streateries, or other adjacent public space is kept free of litter.
  – Licensees must ensure that all solid waste inside the property and in the outdoor spaces immediately surrounding the property are stored and containerized for collection in a manner that will not provide food, harborage, or breeding places for insects or rodents, or other animals, or create a nuisance or fire hazard.

• **SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS** | Some agreements may contain clauses that require licensees to take control of litter and rodent abatement, including requirements to increase trash pick up and grease removal, use certain types of storage bins, or implement rodent abatement procedures.

• Violations of § 25-726 and Settlement Agreements are Secondary Tier Violations, with escalating fines starting at $250.
ENFORCEMENT REFERRALS

• ABRA works alongside other District agencies for investigations of liquid waste, litter, and rodents:
  – DC Department of Energy and Environment (DOEE) | Waste and grease runoff into sewage drains
  – Department of Public Works (DPR)/Solid Waste Education and Enforcement (SWEEP) | Trash and litter
  – DC Health | Rodent infestations
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MISSION

The Mission of the Rodent and Vector Control Division:

To protect the public health and safety of the residents and visitors of the District by reducing rodent activity and other vectors through proactive surveys, inspections, baiting, enforcement, community outreach and distribution of educational materials.
RODENT CONTROL ACT OF 2000

- Mayor and City Council
- Dr. Bruce Colvin – Big Dig, Boston, Massachusetts Rat Summit April 17, 1999
- Rodent Prevention Day, April 17, 1999
- Rodent Regulation Currently Being Revised
SERVICES/ACTIVITIES

1) Conducting Surveys (Residential and Commercial Properties)
2) Baiting Public Space
3) Baiting on Private Property (petition)
4) Distribution of Educational Materials
5) Presentations
6) Rapid Response to Customer Complaints
7) Training (Residents and Commercial Business Owners)
8) Collaboration with other Divisions within the DC Health (DC Health)
9) Enforcement
COMPLAINTS RECEIVED

- City Council
- Caller Complainant
- Mayor's Office and Other Agencies
  - Call Center 311
    - Rodent Control
RESPONSE PROCESS

1. RODENT COMPLAINT
   - ASSIGNED COMPLAINTS BY WARDS
     - SURVEY/INSPECT BAIT
     - OUTREACH
     - OUTREACH AND ENFORCEMENT
ENFORCEMENT

ISSUANCE OF FINES FOR:

21 DCMR 707.11
FAILURE TO KEEP LIDS CLOSED
ISSUANCE OF FINES FOR:

21 DCMR 707.9

• UNCOVERED GREASE CONTAINERS/SPILLED GREASE
GREASE MANAGEMENT
INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT (IPM)
HABITAT MODIFICATION

Resolution Through Baiting, Cooperation, Partnerships, and Habitat Modification
RODENT HARBORAGE
TREATMENTS

Tracking Powder

Baiting
TREATMENTS
• Request higher grant award per applicant.
• The more businesses, the greater the average grant amount per business.
• For example, the maximum grant request for:
  • 1‐business project is $16,000 for the single business
  • 2‐business project is $36,000 which averages of $18,000 per business
  • 4‐business project is $80,000 which averages of $20,000 per business
PROPERLY STORED TRASH IN DUMPSTER
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QUESTIONS