

After warning label victory, California activists push for a glyphosate herbicide ban

[A]fter a yearlong legal battle, California's environmental health agency [has announced](#) that it will list it as a known carcinogen.

The move would make the agency the first American regulatory body to do so. Yet the science is not settled, researchers say.

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The listing of glyphosate as a carcinogen would represent a warning to consumers, not a ban. Still, environmental leaders say they are counting on the move to tilt debates over its use.

A pivotal battleground would be in the Central Valley, where spraying of the herbicide is common and agricultural groups defend it as an essential tool in controlling weeds and safeguarding the food supply.

Along the coast, grass-roots groups opposed to glyphosate have already been securing victories.

[March 2017] school districts in both [Burbank](#) and [Glendale](#) agreed to halt their use of glyphosate after demands from parents.

Kathleen Hallal, a former PTA leader who led another successful effort to eliminate glyphosate use in Irvine, said she expected pressure on officials to intensify.

"A lot of parents have been awakened to the reality of Roundup being everywhere," she said.

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