

# National CAPS Committee (NCC) Conference Call

June 4, 2020

#### Participants

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Lisa Jackson	Helmuth Rogg	Darcy Oishi	Daniel Mackesy
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#### **Introductions - Staff Changes**

**NCC - Policy (Crowe)-** Crowe is the new NPM representative for CAPS. I was formerly working as the Spotted Lanternfly National Policy Manger where I have been able to dramatic shift in program resources and approach to this pest. SLF grew from a pest program that spend roughly \$2 million annual in 2017 to the current program budget at over \$20 million. This increase in funding has seen surveys grow from a few hundred in 2017 to over 30,000 survey performed by APHIS in 2018. Further we have implemented treatments through contractors in 2018 which we attempt to kill most ailanthus trees and focus treatments on a small number of trees. APHIS's contain and suppress strategy allows us to work collaboratively with our state department of agricultures.

I started my career with the U.S. Department of Agriculture in 2000 at the port of Chicago, Illinois where I was a port inspector for passenger baggage, rail cargo, air cargo, and mail inspections. In 2004 I became a Pest Survey Specialist and conducted exotic trapping programs in Maine, New Hampshire, and Vermont. I graduated from Drake University in Iowa with a Bachelor in Biology in 1999 and completed graduate courses in Plant and Insect Taxonomy and Geographic Information System.

I've been serving as the National Survey Supply Coordinator for USDA's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service from 2010-2019 and again in 2020. In this role, I work extensively with internal and external partners to deliver high quality insect traps and lures for APHIS survey programs. During this time I have acted as the Area Director for Preclearance and Off Shore Programs (POP) for Europe, Africa and the Middle East and been active in Capacity Building exercises in India, Pakistan and the Caribbean.

**NCC - Pest Survey Specialist update (Pierce)** – Gregory Aydelotte, from Tennessee will be added as the new Pest Survey Specialist for the NCC.

NCC – FO (Jackson) - Please welcome Darrell Bays as the second National Operations Manager for Pest Detection.

#### Darrell Bays - second NOM for Pest Detection

Darrell Bays was selected to be the second NOM for Pest Detection. As you know, Darrell was the PSS for NC and SC for many years and completed a term on the NCC as the PSS representative. Over the past year, Darrell was a member of Quarantine Policy, Analysis, and Support (QPAS) staff where he served as a subject matter expert facilitating the replacement of the AQAS (Agriculture, Quarantine Activity System) data system with the ARM (Agriculture Risk Management) data system for both PPQ and Customs & Border Protection.

Darrell and Lisa will cover two regional plant boards each and will be the main point of contact for the SPHDs, SPROs, PSSs, and SSCs for Pest Detection in their respective states. Lisa will be the NOM for the Eastern and Western regions, and Darrell will be the NOM for the Central and Southern regions. Darrell and Lisa will also provide back up for each other. Darrell's official start date was May 24 and he is based in Raleigh.

Please reach out to your assigned NOM for questions regarding:

- CAPS work plans
- PPA Goal 1 Survey work plans
- General questions/concerns related to CAPS or PPQ Pest Detection.

In addition to dividing up the states, Darrell and Lisa are dividing the Pest Detection portfolio.

#### Lisa Jackson

- <u>Survey Supplies</u> PPQ Field Operations member of the Cross Functional Working Group. Darrell and Lisa are still determining the best way to provide support for this area. For now, Darrell will approve orders and place orders for his states as needed, and Lisa will do the same for hers. For questions about shipping address changes, delays, survey supply products, etc., please reach out to both Darrell and Lisa. When in doubt, it is fine to include both of them.
- <u>PPA Goal 1 Survey</u> co-lead of goal team with John Crowe.

#### **Darrell Bays**

- <u>Preliminary Identification</u>- PPQ Field Operations contact for Preliminary Identification. He will be the point of contact for the SPHDs, SPROs, PSSs, and SSCs regarding preliminary identification for CAPS, Pest Detection, and Goal 1 Surveys. He will also be the liaison to the PPQ Domestic Identifiers and taxonomic institutions that support preliminary identification.
- <u>IPHIS, Mobile Data Collection</u> NOM on the Change Control Board (CCB) for IPHIS. Responsible for supporting survey and regulatory data entry and extraction questions as they relate to Pest Detection. Other programs and projects are being determined and we hope to have a complete list in the near future.

# Updates or Follow up from May's Meeting

May Notes - are available and no edits were suggested

- <u>http://download.ceris.purdue.edu/file/4025</u>
- CAPS Webinar (Crowe) Dates and Speakers will be forth coming.

### Survey Summary Form

Starting with the 2021 CAPS cycle, an automated email will go out if the Survey Summary Form (SSF) has not yet been sent to Field Operations by the SPHD on the <u>Survey Planning Page</u>. The email will go out to the SPHD, SPRO, PSS, SSC, Lisa, and Darrell letting everyone know the status of the SSF.

The notification will have the status and action that is needed:

- <u>Awaiting Entry</u> the State Survey Coordinator needs to complete the Survey Summary Form.
- <u>Being entered</u> the State Survey Coordinator has started entering information into the Survey Summary Form but needs to complete the Form and move it forward to the SPHD for review and approval.
- <u>At the SPHD office</u> The SPHD or SPHD designee needs to review and approve the Survey Summary Form. The Form will then go to Field Operations for review and approval by one of the Pest Detection National Operations Managers.

If the Survey Summary Form has been moved to the National Operation Manager and is awaiting approval, an email will not be sent out.

The automated emails will go out at these intervals:

- One week before work plans are due
- One week after work plans are due

For CAPS, the dates for 2020 will be September 4<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>.

It was noted that in some states the best contacts are not included in the emails that go out. As a default, the emails go out to the SPHD, SPRO, PSS, SSC, and NOMs. If you notice that you need revisions to these contacts or need additional people included, please reach out to your NOM and Cindy Music.

Automated emails regarding missing data from the 2019 CAPS Accountability Report (for the 2021 CAPS work plan season), will be sent on July 1.

### **CAPS Brochures**

**Crowe:** How are we on the distribution numbers? A current list of states will be made available - Who have we not heard from for numbers.

#### PPA update

2020 work plans (Jackson) – Nearing completion of the work plan review for 2020. 2021 PPA (general update) (Mehdizadegan) -

Tentative initial roll out of July 6 is planned at this time.

2021 Goal 1 Survey (Crowe) - review team members are in place we currently have 18 there will be a few adjustments to the form to aide in data entry and review.

2021 Draft Implementation Plan (Crowe) – Was sent forth and there are some minor changes that hopefully streamline the document. Lisa and I will be Goal 1 Survey team leads and hope to have a successful year for PPA.

#### **NAPPO Discussion**

Lymantria focused for CAPS community. If you or your constituency have comments please send as directed below.

Title	Description	U.S. Experts (PPQ/NAPPO SMEs)	PPQ Comment Deadline	PPQ Review Session
Revision of Regional Standard for Phytosanitary Measures (RSPM) 9: <u>Authorization of laboratories</u> for performing phytosanitary testing & <u>Appendix 1-</u> <u>Audit checklist</u>	This is a revision to the regional standard. The standard describes the criteria and processes used by the national plant protection organization (NPPO) for the authorization of a laboratory to perform phytosanitary testing on behalf of the NPPO. The regional standard also includes an Appendix with an audit checklist document.	Sarika Negi (PIM, Vice-EG Chair) & Geoff Dennis (S&T); U.S. Industry: Robert Carr (Russell Marine Group)	Submit comments <b>by July 31</b> to <u>Sarika.S.Negi@usda.gov</u> & <u>Patricia.V.Abad@usda.gov</u>	Target date: early August
NAPPO S&T Document on the risks associated with the introduction of exotic lymantriid species of potential concern to the NAPPO region	<ul> <li>The objectives of this S&amp;T document are to support regulatory decisions by NAPPO member countries by:</li> <li>providing a general perspective concerning exotic lymantriid species with the highest risk of introduction and potential impact to the NAPPO</li> </ul>	Glenn Fowler (S&T)	Submit comments <b>by June 30</b> to <u>Glenn.Fowler@usda.gov</u> & <u>Patricia.V.Abad@usda.gov</u>	Target date: early July

	<ul> <li>region arriving via international trade or other introduction pathways;</li> <li>developing a risk assessment methodology that can be used to quickly screen large numbers of lymantriid species and efficiently characterize the pest risk posed by these species;</li> <li>identifying and ranking lymantriid species based on their likelihood of introduction, spread and potential economic and/or environmental impact.</li> </ul>			
Revision of <u>RSPM 5:</u> <u>NAPPO</u> <u>glossary of</u> <u>phytosanitary</u> <u>terms</u>	This revised regional standard contains definitions, abbreviations and acronyms currently used in other NAPPO RSPMs and documents. It does not provide duplicate definitions, already available in the IPPC's ISPM 5- Glossary of Phytosanitary Terms.	Pati Abad (IPS, U.S. AMC lead) & Steph Dubon (IPS, AMC back-up)	Submit comments <b>by July 31</b> to <u>Patricia.V.Abad@usda.gov</u> & <u>Stephanie.M.Dubon@usda.gov</u>	Target date: early August

### Preliminary ID Coordinator

Temporary detail in place, Veronica Zabala from the PDC is currently working on definition and timing. I hope to have her available in the near future to discuss direction. She has already met with the Pest Detection Cross Functional Working Group (Jackson, Bowers, Crowe, and Gray). There is also movement to make this position permanent. A

permanent position was announced last week. We hope to have a permanent person in place by end of summer. We will keep the NCC informed of this position as we are able.

## Survey Supplies Update

Inventory is completed and we are starting to work on the restocking for FY21. Overall, this shipping season has gone well with the changes we are making the amount of backorders and forecasting is getting more refined and we hope you're seeing the changes for the positive.

## **Discuss MS Teams**

PPQ will be moving to MS Teams to cover much of the communications that happen, including Sharepoint, Skype and conference lines (eventually). Gauge peoples familiarity with MS Teams is critical to as we start this transition. Some state cooperators may have issues accessing MS Teams and knowing that upfront is helpful. Please reach out to your constituents to understand if they are able to use MS Teams for meeting. This will allow us to also have video meetings moving forward and share documents when required.

Action Item: Please reach out to your constituents to understand if they are able to use MS Teams for meeting.

PPQ Training is available in LinkedIn: <u>https://www.linkedin.com/learning/microsoft-teams-essential-training-5.</u>

# Additional topics

Online Work Plans - scheduled southern and Eastern plant Board - western plant board was good.