



National CAPS Committee (NCC) Conference Call

July 2, 2020

Participants

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Introductions - NCC Changes

Gregory Aydelotte, <gregory.r.aydelotte@usda.gov> has joined the NCC this month replacing Tiffany who has taken a new position. Greg joins us from Tennessee and fills the Pest Survey Specialist opening on this committee.

Greg graduated from Western Kentucky University at Bowling Green, Kentucky in 1983 with a Bachelor of Science Degree major in Agriculture and a minor in Biology. He worked as a Plant Inspector 1 (nursery and greenhouse inspection and regulatory duties) with the Tennessee Department of Agriculture from 1984 until December 1990. In January 1991, he began his USDA career as a PPQ Officer in New Orleans Louisiana performing duties in maritime cargo and ship boarding, vessel cold treatment calibration, airport cargo, airport passenger baggage, Plant Inspection Station, fumigations, export certification, Manifest Operations Desk, and Operations Desk. In 1992, he participated in the Los Angeles Medfly trapping quality control TDY for 60 days.

In October 1992, he transferred to a one person AQI and domestic duty station at Knoxville, Tennessee. His duties covered 30 Tennessee counties on imported fire ant and gypsy moth domestic regulatory, domestic aerial applications for gypsy moth infestations as large as 40,000 acres, domestic ground treatments for imported fire ants, cooperative domestic survey quality control, domestic surveys, export certification, airport garbage compliance, airport passenger and cargo clearance, military aircraft clearance activities, approved facility compliance at the Department of Energy Oak Ridge National Laboratories and other facilities, and monitoring an insectary with the University of Tennessee Knoxville.

In 1996, he was temporarily assigned to the Nashville Tennessee Karnal Bunt program as Assistant Officer in Charge. Later in 1996, he transferred permanently to Nashville as a PPQ Officer, but continued to assist with and eventually maintained responsibility over the Knoxville, Tennessee duty station as well as perform duties as a PPQ Officer in Nashville. In 1999, he was chosen to be the Export Contact Point Officer, and served in this position until 2002. From 2001-2002, he served on the Rapid Response Team (RRT) for Mike Madryga, former SPHD KY (retired) and was called out on the following TDYs: April 2001 Erlanger, KY DHL Blitz, September 2001 Detroit, MI Labor Day Canadian Border Blitz, October 2001 Ft. Pierce, FL Exotic Pest Survey Citrus canker, June 2002 Milwaukee, WI Exotic Pest Detection *Xylotrechus magnicallis*, June 2002 Ft. Lauderdale, FL Exotic Pest Survey Pink Hibiscus Mealybug. From 2002 until 2012, he served in various duties as a PPQ Officer/PHSS.

In 2009, he served on a Raleigh TDY and compiled the After Action Review (AAR) for the National Incident Management Team (NIMT) Tri State EAB call out. Starting in 2010, he served as the NIMT Delta Planning Section Deputy and then Chief, and was deployed to Hawaii (CRB) and Puerto Rico (Fruit Flies PR). He graduated from the Intermediate Leadership Development Program in 2011, Fundamentals of Human Resource Management (FHRM) in 2012. He was selected as Acting State Plant Health Director Tennessee in 2011 and 2012. In 2012, he was selected as Domestic Program Coordinator for Tennessee. In October 2015, he was selected as a member of the PPQ Guiding Coalition focusing on mobile data collection issues, and finished his service on the coalition in 2017.

In 2016, he was recognized as a co-recipient of the 2015 Deputy Administrator's Safeguarding Award for his participation as National Incident Management Team Delta's Planning Section Chief for the Exotic Fruit Fly Multi-Agency Response Team that successfully eradicated two species of exotic fruit flies in Puerto Rico.

Greg also served as PPQ's Acting National Operations Manager for Emergency Preparedness and Response from May through September 2016. In this position, he was involved in directing, deploying and supporting three of PPQ's National Incident Management Teams for two separate incidents, announcing and filling team vacancies, team training, table top exercises, PPQ's Continuation of Operations Plan (COOP), COOP exercises, providing PPQ Situation Reports to the Management Team, providing PPQ input to the Emergency Mobilization and Position Catalog, and emergency call down notification and procedures for facility closures due to threats to USDA facilities. He attended the Supervisor's Workshop in 2016 at Frederick Maryland.

In November to March 2017, he served as Acting National Operations Manager for Emerald Ash Borer, Pine Shoot Beetle, European Larch Canker, and Firewood, and initiated the last nationally contracted EAB survey for the 2018 survey season, and participated in efforts to transition from survey to the EAB biological control program. In March 2019, he was selected as the Pest Survey Specialist for Tennessee, and works with CAPS and PPA 7721 (formerly known as Farm Bill) cooperative agreements, PPQ domestic survey planning and implementation, mobile data collection, public awareness and outreach, biological control, biotechnology, workload analysis, and the budgetary process. He also serves on the Tennessee CAPS Committee, Tennessee/Arkansas Pest Risk Committee, APHIS Native American Working Group, and as the Civil Rights Committee Chair KY-TN-WV.

In 2019, Greg served again as Acting National Operations Manager for Emergency Preparedness and Response.

When not at work, he enjoys spending time with his wife and daughter. He also enjoys keeping up with the news, listening to music, and doing outdoor activities such as hunting, fishing, hiking, canoeing, cycling, camping, and cutting firewood for the home fire and BBQ pit.

COVID Impacts - Crowe

Are state surveys being impacted by COVID?

PPQ offices are in various stages of opening and will continue to open as is warranted. Riverdale, MD is slated to open July 20 at this time but this could change based on case load. Currently the DC area is experiencing lower levels than many states.

Has this trickled into the agreements?

There seems to be a consensus that there will likely eventually be modifications required to agreements because of COVID 19. At minimum states are likely going to need decrease the number of traps that are placed in the field. Some states have expressed concern about potential future economic impacts from the state that may impact surveys and completing them.

Online Work Plans – update and open discussion – Jackson

The CAPSIS team has entered most of the 2020 CAPS work plans into the online work plan interface. They have been testing the nuances of the different work plans and developing the work flow. They have come across some issues and complexity that the CAPSIS team and the Pest Detection Cross Functional Working Group need more time to resolve.

Instead of rolling out the online work plan interface to all 50 states for the 2021 CAPS cycle, the revised plan is to have a smaller pilot group use it this year to test it thoroughly. In addition, Darrell and Lisa need to develop a process for how to revise work plans when the Survey Summary Form is revised. In addition, by allowing more time to test the interface, we can be better prepared for incorporating the PPA work plans, which have more complexity (non-traditional cooperators, etc.).

We propose that the SSC members on the NCC, along with a few other states who may have unique circumstances in their work plans, act as our beta testing group for the 2021 cycle. The rest of the states will continue to use the Word templates available on the CAPS website.

- Survey Summary Form and modifications being made - we will need to discuss with agreements to confirm the process. Once the work plan is in ez fed grants and having a difference in the survey summary form may be different than the final work plan. Where is this breaking point?

On the next call we will solidify the states which will participate in this pilot test with Purdue.

FY2021 CAPS Work Plans Update - Jackson

2021 CAPS Work Plans are due Sept. 11 to the PPQ Cooperative Agreements SharePoint site, along with the Survey Summary Form. To prepare for the 2021 CAPS work plan cycle, there are steps you can take now. As we have done in both the 2020 CAPS and PPA work plan cycles, the SSC and ADODR should ensure data from previous year's surveys has been entered into NAPIS. Lisa and Darrell will not approve work plans until data has been entered.

- New! Automated emails will be sent out on July 6 if your state has any data from 2019 surveys that has not been entered.
- Review the [Accountability Report](#). The Accountability Report compares what was documented in the 2019 CAPS Survey Summary Form to what has been entered into NAPIS.
- Revise the Survey Summary Form as needed. Remember, it should be viewed as a living document that is updated if survey plans change.

1) SSCs – before submitting a new work and financial plan to the ADODR, check the Accountability Report on the CAPS Resource & Collaboration website to ensure data from 2019 CAPS surveys have been entered into NAPIS.

2) ADODRs – before uploading a new work and financial plan to the Field Operations Cooperative Agreements Work Plan Management Site, check the Accountability Report on the CAPS Resource & Collaboration website to ensure data from previous years surveys have been entered into the appropriate database (NAPIS). If the data has not been entered, the ADODR should communicate this deficiency to the cooperator. Once the missing data is entered, submission of the new work and financial plans may proceed. New work plans will not be processed until data entry requirements are met.

If you have any questions, please reach out to your assigned National Operations Manager. The [Survey Planning webinar](#) is a good resource.

PPA Update – July Open Period - Crowe

Open Period for PPA 7721 will start July 6th and lasts for 7 weeks.

Link to the announcement: <https://www.aphis.usda.gov/aphis/ourfocus/planthealth/ppa-ppdmdpp>

Please be sure to register for the Stakeholder Registry if you have not already done so. This will ensure that you receive the various announcements from APHIS. Sign up at: <https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/USDAAPHIS/subscriber/new>

Asian Giant Hornet (*Vespa madarinia*): Survey suggestions for Asian giant hornet should be part of a multi-pest survey. Examples of surveys that would complement the

hosts, biology, and survey method of Asian giant hornet include: Exotic Wood Borer/Bark Beetle, Forest Pests, Oak, etc. PPQ is currently evaluating the biology, potential pathway of introduction, and survey methodology for this pest. Since these funded surveys would take place in FY2021 and guidance may look different at that time, survey suggestions should be flexible enough to allow for changes in approach.

This guidance applies to 2021 CAPS surveys as well.

S&T Update - Crowe

Questions for S&T - we will send these on to Heather and Shelly.

CAPS Brochure Update - Crowe

I have received orders from 28 states to date and hope that we are able to get printing completed by the end of summer. If you have numbers please forward these on and we will get them ordered.

IPPC - Crowe

On July 1st, the International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC) opened 2020 consultation (review and comment) on draft international standards and specifications. The following draft ISPMs and specifications are opened for review and comment

Draft ISPMs:

- Focused Revision of ISPM 12 - GUIDELINES FOR PHYTOSANITARY CERTIFICATES (in relation to re-export)
- Audit in the Phytosanitary context
- 2019 & 2020 Amendments to ISPM 5 Glossary of Phytosanitary Terms
- Commodity-based standards for phytosanitary measures

Draft ISPMs are opened for review and comment for 90 days, until September 30. Please contact John Crowe about the comment **submission deadline** for your specific Core Functional Area and for instructions on commenting.

You can access the draft ISPMs via the link:

<https://www.ippc.int/en/core-activities/standards-setting/member-consultation-draft-ispm/>

Draft annexes to ISPM 28 – There are several draft Phytosanitary Treatments (PTs) opened for second and first consultations as Annexes to ISPM 28 *Phytosanitary treatments for regulated pests*. These include temperature treatments and irradiation for a number of quarantine pests including fruit flies and moths. The full list of these draft PTs is also found on the IPPC website via the link above.

The following draft specifications are opened for consultation:

<https://www.ippc.int/en/core-activities/standards-setting/member-consultation-draft-specifications-ispms/>

- Annex to ISPM 38 *International movement of seeds*: Annex 1 - Design and use of systems approaches for phytosanitary certification of seeds
- Criteria for the determination of host status for fruit flies based on available information (Annex to ISPM 37)
- Draft specification for the Technical Panel on Commodity Standards (TPCS)

Draft Specifications are opened for 60 days for review and comment, however PPQ internal **deadline is August 15th**.

Please share this information with your colleagues and let me know if there are any problems accessing the drafts or if you have any other questions, concerns, or suggestions.

Specific Concern I see for the NCC is the revision of the definition of "detection survey" to include absence. I do have concern that the environment is not included in this and intend on making comments that would suggest the removal of the production. This is not always true as with surveys for ALB, SLF they have clear visual surveys and are proven effective in the environment which is not a place of production. I suggest simply leaving area and removing, "place of production or production site." This is redundant and add little to the overall meaning of the definition.

[72]“detection survey” (consequential to 2015-013 “survey”)

[73]The Glossary term “survey” was added to the List of Topics for IPPC Standards by the Standards Committee (SC) in May 2013, for the Technical Panel for the Glossary (TPG) to consider whether the concept of “absence” should be included in its definition. TPG 2016-05 proposed in the draft 2017 Amendments a revision to the definition of “survey”, which was in accordance with the draft revision of ISPM 6, the use of the term in other ISPMs and the three types of surveys defined in the Glossary. During their review of first consultation comments, SC-7 2018-05 noted that the determination of absence of a pest is not part of the definition of “detection survey”. The SC-7 asked the TPG to consider whether the definition of “detection survey” should be amended, by ink amendment, to include “or absence”.

[74]The TPG discussed the term “detection survey” in their December 2018 meeting. The following explanatory points may be considered when reviewing the proposal for the revision of its definition:

- [75]“Detection survey” is used in several instances throughout ISPMs when referring to determining or verifying absence of a pest.
- [76]The objective of a detection survey is to determine whether a pest is present, meaning that presence and absence are equally possible outcomes of a detection survey and it can thus be used to determine that a pest is absent.

- [77]“If” in the definition already expresses the concept of absence, but without being as explicit as in the definitions of “survey”, “delimiting survey” and “surveillance”. It is therefore suggested to replace the conditional “if” by the addition of “or absence”.
- [78]It is proposed to include in the definition “in an area, place of production or production site” to be consistent with the definition of “survey” and to improve clarity.
- [79]The proposed revised definition of “detection survey” adequately reflects the use of the term in adopted ISPMs.
- [80]*Current definition*

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| [81] Detection survey | [82]Survey conducted in an area to determine if pests are present [FAO, 1990; revised FAO, 1995] |
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- [83]*Proposed revision*

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| [84] Detection survey | [85]Survey conducted to determine presence <u>or absence</u> of pests in an area, place of production or production site [FAO, 1990; revised FAO, 1995] |
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From <https://www.ippc.int/static/media/files/publication/en/2020/07/1994-001_Draft_2019-2020_AmendmentsISPM5_En_2020-06-08_cPuCb3p.docx>

Of additional concern to some on the call maybe the revision of, “**emergency action**” (2018-044).

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Preliminary ID Update - Bays

IMPORTANT: Please remember to confirm with your Domestic Identifier/institution of what targets/how many samples you plan on sending for the 2020 survey season. In addition, before you submit CAPS work plans, please confirm assistance with your 2021 CAPS samples.

As always, please reach out to the identifier/institution before sending samples and follow all protocols from the specific identifier/institution.

Survey Supplies - Jackson

Lure for *Cydalima perspectalis* (box tree moth)

We will be able to offer the lure for *Cydalima perspectalis* (box tree moth) for 2021 surveys. This pest is of concern to the nursery industry. The lure is effective for 28 days and should be used with the Multi-color Plastic Bucket Trap. The pest is not currently a Priority Pest, but it may be bundled into relevant surveys. The lure will be available during the fall ordering open period.

Tomato Brown Rugose Fruit Virus (ToBRFV) Supplies

Please follow the instructions that have been sent out by the ToBRFV group for ordering details.