

# National CAPS Committee (NCC) Conference Call

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# **Update on CAPS Mission**

The PD CFWG has a meeting scheduled with the PPQ MT to settle on the final version of the CAPS Mission, Goals and Objectives. We can start discussion about next steps and final versions on our next call (May 6th).

The current plan is to is to take about 1 month's time for each of the six objectives and work on defining them in meaningful ways to the CAPS community. This will require information gathering by the NCC membership.

# **CAPS and PPA Goal 1S Biological Assessment**

Remember to review the <u>CAPS Collaboration Website</u> (<u>http://caps.ceris.purdue.edu/pest-surveillance-guidelines/esa</u>) regarding the avoidance of certain areas for ESA Listed species. States should already be aware based on conversations. Each state and species eventually will have a line in the guidance table. A few important details:

- 1. Review the details in the table. The following states have specific guidance and they include: Arkansas, California, Connecticut, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Montana, New Hampshire, New York, Ohio, Texas, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin, and Wyoming.
- 2. If there needs to be an update/change: send to John.F.Crowe@USDA.gov

#### **PPQ Domestic Data Improvement Initiative (DDII)- Bays**

Four states will participate in an Exotic Wood Borer/Bark Beetle Pilot survey in FY2021. This will be the only Pest Detection (CAPS/PPA Goal 1 National Priority Survey) that will take part in DDII this year. There are other PPQ Programs that will participate in DDII in FY2021. The ADODRs for those surveys are communicating with the cooperators.

The Pest Detection Cross Functional Working Group is working closely with the DDII Team and CAPSIS staff to identity any new fields that need to be captured in this Pilot survey to meet the needs of DDII.

For any questions about DDII, please reach out to your ADODR and National Operations Manager for the respective program.

### **CAPS Guidelines**

The 2022 CAPS Guidelines will include the new mission and goals but the final product may be delayed from the normal Earth Day release. Please look for the details and roll out in the coming weeks.

# **Online Workplan**

Overall, the PPA 7721 online workplan process went ok. There were some learning curves, but about 50 users were able to enter online workplans and navigate the system. CAPSIS/Purdue continues to gather feedback about the process and the PD CFWG will work through the needed improvements for the first round of FY22 CAPS online workplans.

If you have feedback to provide about your experience with the online workplan interface please reach out to Cindy Music - <u>cmusic@ceris.purdue.edu</u>.

# **Purdue Update - Pest Tracker**

The new Pest Tracker Web site was launched on April 1st; it's available at: <u>https://pest.ceris.purdue.edu/</u>

You may need to update your bookmarks to ensure you're seeing the new page.