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The DDII group has provided a link to the recorded presentation: “NPB PPQ DDII Presentation of 09 30 2020.”

Feel free to share it with your constituents:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5EYeo61av9U&feature=youtu.be>

The NCC will host a special topics call with Scott Sanner and Dave Kowalski to allow for a more detailed discussion and time for questions.

## **Draft - CAPS Mission Update – Feedback Requested**

Final Feedback is needed by March 24, NCC members or the Cross Functional Work Group are your points of contact for submitting feedback.

*The Cooperative Agriculture Pest Survey (CAPS) program’s mission is to perform pest surveys and share information through a national network of cooperators and stakeholders to protect American agriculture and natural resources.*

Based on two meetings of the NCC on January 26 – 28 and February 4th, the Pest Detection Cross Functional Working Group (CFWG) identified two primary goals for the CAPS Program: infrastructure and survey infrastructure. These goals are supported by 6 objectives. For this next step the CFWG is looking to ensure that the CFWG did not hear something or is presenting items which are unworkable with PPQ management.

### **Goals**

#### **Goal 1**

Conduct surveys to detect exotic pests in support of plant health.

#### **Goal 2**

Establish and maintain a network of local cooperators and stakeholders to facilitate CAPS and ultimately PPQ’s mission.

### **Objectives**

The purpose of developing these objectives was twofold:

1. To inform the updated CAPS mission statement.
2. Later, assist in the development of key performance indicators to help define success for the program.

Through meeting, listening sessions, review of documents, and other conversations the CFWG has identified the following six objectives:

Objective 1 - Pest Survey

Objective 2 - Survey Infrastructure

Objective 3 - Scientific Support for Pest Targeting

Objective 4 - Communication and Outreach

Objective 5 - Data Management

Objective 6 - Program Management

## Online Work Plan Interface Feedback

The online work plan interface is up and running for PPA Goal 1 Survey. We really appreciate everyone's work on using the new system. We welcome your feedback on the new system. Cindy Music is available by email ([clmusic@purdue.edu](mailto:clmusic@purdue.edu)) to receive feedback.

## CAPS Biological Assessment

We continue to make progress on the Biological Assessment for CAPS and have worked with CAPSIS to update the guidance on trapping for ESA listed species in many states. We have a long way to go on ensuring complete compliance and finishing the Biological Assessment the guidance presented here is just a start and as we continue to gather details from each state and species we will continue to populate the table. Please review the details for your state, area, or common species listed in the table.

I encourage everyone to look at the Rusty Patch Bumble Bee as an example of what we will call a level two consultation. This happens when we must trap in areas where ESA listed insects are present and the traps are known to be attractive to the listed species.

Link to CAPSIS ESA information is at:

<http://caps.ceris.purdue.edu/pest-surveillance-guidelines/esa>