

National CAPS Committee (NCC) Conference Call

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x	Christopher Pierce	x	James Kruse				

Staffing Updates

Cindy Music at Purdue is retiring at the end of July and James Kruse - bridge between Cindy and the next Coordinator. Please reach out to Cindy if you have any back-burner data issues or other outstanding items. This is good training for James.

Heather Moylett will be moving from her position in Science and Technology over to Field Operations as a National Operations Manager covering AQI. Heather's workload will continue to be covered by Dan Mackesy and Lisa Fergusson.

We welcome back Lisa Fergusson after an extended period away.

ToBRFV - Data Entry - Visual Survey Data Entry

ToBRFV data entry will requirements will be posted in the Approved Methods Page. Be aware that the guidance will not allow for summary data because each visit must be recorded for each plant type. Please pay close attention to the need to survey in greenhouses. All questions about what a greenhouse is defined as should be directed to the ToBRFV CFWG.

2022 CAPS Guidelines

The CAPS program's mission is to conduct exotic plant pest surveys through a national network of cooperators and stakeholders to protect American agriculture and natural resources. In support of this, Plant Protection and Quarantine (PPQ) has released the fiscal year (FY) <u>2022 CAPS Guidelines</u> that cooperators will use to develop surveys targeting national priority pests. Please read the Guidelines in their entirety to be informed of important changes. Significant changes and important reminders for FY 2022 include:

- Simplification in designing surveys for cooperators
 - Two pests added to the National Priority Pest List:
 - Box Tree Moth
 - Citrus Longhorned Beetle
- The online work plan interface is required for CAPS Survey and Infrastructure work plans.
- All work and financial plans are due by September 10, 2021.

The FY 2022 CAPS Guidelines also require that cooperators' pest lists included in the survey work contain at least 60% of National Priority Pests. For example, if a cooperator will survey for 10 pests,

six of these pests must be on the National Priority Pest List and the other four pests may be of their own interest. This is a 10% increase over FY 2021.

Remember, PPQ provides the following support for National Priority Pests 1) taxonomic screening, 2) survey supplies, and, 3) pest information.

If you have questions or feedback please feel free to reach out to your National Operations Manager for Pest Detection.

PPA - FY22 - Feridoon

The open period of June 7-July 23 has been officially approved.

Some of you are still working of completing the FY 21 projects, but please communicate the planning to FY 22 cycle open period with your colleagues and start thinking about the submission process.

The implementation plan, FAQ, and all other pertinent information including the date and links to our webinars will be posted on APHIS website.

I know SPHD and SPRO are proactive but please wait to write your reviews until the open period ends. For those of you who are reviewers, your team leads will coordinate the review process.

PPA Policy and Management's Sharla Jennings is taking another position, and we will have a TDY position for the next 120 days. In the meantime, please feel free to reach out to Feridoon or other members of our cross-function team.

*Goal 1 Survey Read Implementation Plan closely, some changes Some changes to Survey Suggestion template