October 26, 2022

Invitation for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Cooperative Agricultural Pest Survey (CAPS) National CAPS Committee (NCC) Annual Meeting

I’m pleased to invite you to attend our FY 2023 annual meeting. The meeting will be held at the USDA APHIS PPQ Forest Pest Laboratory in Buzzards Bay, Massachusetts. Meeting dates are January 31 and February 1, 2023, with travel on January 30 and February 2, 2023. I’m expecting about 22 attendees, of which eight are state representatives reimbursed through the PPQ-National Plant Board (NPB) Safeguarding Agreement. Additionally, representatives from Purdue University will be in attendance.

During this meeting, we will share updates and information, review program’s performance, and update existing information which will be implemented nationally. We will also visit the Forest Pest Laboratory and see activities in place. This meeting is going to be a great opportunity for NCC members to come prepared and convey information of interest or concern to their state and associated region of coverage.

Please send me an email to John.F.Crowe@usda.gov by January 10, 2023, confirming your attendance. I can be reached by email or phone (301-851-2108) for further information or assistance.

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