

EASTERN PLANT BOARD 82nd ANNUAL MEETING

Eagle Mountain House
Jackson, NH
April 2 - 5, 2007

Monday, April 2, 2007

Optional Workshop **Biotechnology Regulatory Services, Catherine A. Preston, State Liaison USDA-APHIS Biotechnology & Regulatory Services**

12:00 - 4:00 **BRS Workshop**

12:00 – 12:15 Workshop Introduction: Introduction of BRS personnel, What is this workshop about, format, Polling of participants (introduction to electronic voting system)

12:15 – 1:30 USDA Biotechnology Regulation: Role of USDA in biotechnology, Role of APHIS BRS, History, Organization, and Content, Other Authorities affecting APHIS action [NEPA, APA, and FOIA (CBI)]

1:30 – 2:00 Notifications: *Exercise:* Reviewing notifications

2:00 – 2:15 Short break

2:15 – 2:45 Permits: *Exercise:* Reviewing permits

2:45 – 3:00 ePermits

3:00 – 3:15 Petitions/Extensions for nonregulated status

3:15 – 3:45 Overview of Compliance and Inspection Activities

3:45 – 4:00 Conclusions and course evaluation

3:00 – 7:00 p.m. **Registration** – Main Lobby

5:30 p.m. **Welcome Reception**
Eagle Landing Tavern

Tuesday, April 3, 2007

- 7:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. **Registration** – The Carriage House (adjacent to main building)
- 7:00 – 8:00 a.m. **Breakfast** – included
- 8:00 – 8:45 a.m. **Opening Session 1 – Tom Durkis, Moderator**
David Babson, Jr. NH Agricultural Advisory Board
Ann Gibbs, Welcome and Ground Rules
- 8:45 – 10:00 a.m. **Session 2 – Partner Updates - Carl Schulze, Moderator**
- 8:45 – 9:05 USDA APHIS PPQ Eastern Region Update
Thomas Chanelli, Assistant Regional Director
- 9:05 – 9:20 US Forest Service Forest Health update
Dennis Souto, US Forest Service
- 9:20 – 9:40 Customs and Border Protection update
Helen Sterling, Assistant Regional Director, USDHS
- 9:40 – 10:00 Canada Report
Mireille Marcotte, Plant Health Division, CFIA
- 10:00 – 10:15 **Break**
- 10:15 – 12:00 noon **Session 2 – continued**
- 10:15 – 10:30 National Plant Board President's Update
Ken Rauscher/Aurelio Posadas
- 10:30 – 10:50 E-Permits
Sam Johnson, USDA APHIS, PPQ
- 10:50 – 11:10 Phytosanitary Certification Issuance and Tracking (PCIT)
Christian Dellis, USDA APHIS, PPQ
- 11:10 – 11:40 Biotechnology Regulatory Services Update
Ingrid Berlangier, USDA, APHIS, BRS
- 11:40 – 12:00 National Association of State Departments of Agriculture Update
Bob Ehart
- 12:00 – 1:30 p.m. **Lunch** - included
- 1:30 – 3:00 p.m. **Session 3 – Pest Identification, present and future**
Roundtable – Faith Kuehn, Moderator
Amy Rossman, Research Leader, Systematic Botany &
Mycology Laboratory, USDA-ARS
D. Scott Neitch, Agriculturalist, National Identification Services,
USDA-APHIS-PPQ
Feedback from state surveys and discussion including SPROs
and SPHDs

3:00 p.m.

Beverage Break

3:00 – 5:00p.m.

EPB Committee Meetings – Carriage House

6:30 p.m.

Group Dinner – Hotel Restaurant

Wednesday, April 4, 2007

7:00 – 8:00 a.m. **Breakfast** - included

7:00 **Registration** - Carriage House

8:00 – 10:00 a.m. **Session 4- Emerging Pest Situations & Response, including
Quarantine authority – Carol Holko, Moderator**

8:00 – 8:05 Introduction

8:05 – 8:20 Emerald Ash Borer Eradication in Maryland
Carol Holko, Maryland Department of Agriculture

8:20 – 8:30 Invasive Species Impacting Forests, Partnership with TNC
Carl Schulze, New Jersey Department of Agriculture

8:30 – 8:45 NASF Perspective on invasive Plant Pests Impacting Forests
Rob Davies, New York State Department of Environmental
Conservation

8:45 – 9:15 Pallets 101
Bruce Scholnick, National Wooden Pallet and Container
Association

9:15 – 9:25 Regulating Pallets and Mulch
Deb McPartland, USDA APHIS PPQ

9:25 – 9:35 Interstate Movement of Firewood
Philip Bell, USDA APHIS PPQ

9:35 – 9:45 Firewood Outreach
Bonnie MacCulloch, Delaware Department of Agriculture

9:45 – 10:15 Guided discussion to develop regional priorities to address
invasive plant pests that move in wood products

10:15 – 10:30 **Break**

10:30 – 10:45 Guided discussion (continued)

10:45 – 11:00 R-5 Technical Task Force
Carl Schulze, New Jersey Department of Agriculture

11:00 – 11:15 Regulating Quality Pests – Group discussion to develop
consensus in the Northeast HVX, Daylily Rust, foliar nematodes,
other??

11:15 – 12:00 *Phytophthora ramorum* update and discussion
Jonathan Jones, USDA APHIS PPQ
Gary McAninch, Oregon Dept of Agriculture
Aurelio Posadas, NPB
Craig Regelbrugge, ANLA

- 12:00 – 1:30 p.m. **Lunch** – included
- 1:30 – 3:00 p.m. **Session 5-Identifying the Necessary Triggers for the Implementation of a Rapid Response – Bob Mungari, Moderator**
 SPRO Perspective – Robert Mungari, NY
 SPHD Perspective – Mark Michaelis, VT/NH
 Canada – Jean-Guy Champagne, CFIA Montreal (Quebec)
- 3:00 – 3:15 p.m. **Break**
- 3:15 – 3:30 p.m. **Session 6 – ANLA Update, Craig Reggelbrugge**
- 3:30 – 4:30 p.m. **Session 7 – Invasive Plant Species Round Table**
Ann Gibbs, Moderator
 Faith Kuehn DE and Ann Gibbs ME, Industry reaction to Invasive Species legislation. Doug Cygan NH Invasive species law and rules. Mike Sheffield - Labrie Assoc. Landscaping and Glen Caron - Scenic Nursery on being competitive, implementing operational changes overcoming problems and selecting replacement plants.

Thursday, April 5, 2007

- 7:00 – 8:00 a.m. **Breakfast** - included
- 8:00 – 9:15 noon **Session 8 – Export Standards for the EU, Roundtable and Case study with NH nurseryman – Tom Durkis, Moderator**
 Chris Schlegel - D.S. Cole Growers production overview, Terry Bourgoin - Export Cert. Specialist USDA and Greg Goodman, Export Specialist USDA-APHIS
- 9:15 – 9:30 a.m. **Break**
- 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. **Session 9 - EPB Business Meeting**
- 11:30 - 11:45 a.m. **HIS Report to EPB**
- Noon or before **Adjourn**