

**BRS 201 Agenda**  
**Eastern Plant Board**  
**April 2<sup>nd</sup>, Noon – 4 pm**

- 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

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