


PPQ Western Region



Western Plant Board Report
May 2012

Western Region Management Team




- Jeff Grode, Acting Regional Director
- Sherry Sanderson, Dave McNeal, Assistant Regional Directors
- Dick Austin, Administrative Officer


PPQ WR Coverage



PPQ Modernization

- 2 ARDs
- 2 Senior Regional Program Managers
- Administrative Officer
- SPHD consolidations – WA/AK
- Office closures – KB, EAB, CHRP, SITC
- Personnel lost through buyouts
- Regional pooling efforts

PPQ WR Organizational Structure



SPHD Changes



Ann Ferguson
Oregon SPHD




Barbara Chambers
Washington, Alaska
SPHD

Major Program Responsibilities

- Pest Management and Emergency Programs
- Agriculture Quarantine Inspection
- Smuggling Interdiction and Trade Compliance
- Risk Analysis and Management
- Export Certification and Trade Support
- Biotechnology

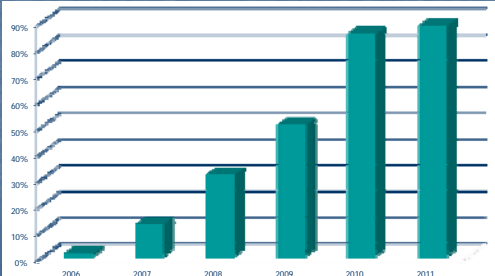
Data Analysis and Risk Targeting (DART)

- New for 2012
- AQI Monitoring and Evaluation
- Data Management- IPHIS
- GIS- Mapping and Data
- Pest Data Analysis
- SITC



WR Phytosanitary Certificate Issuance and Tracking (PCIT)

- Phytosanitary Certificates by PPQ 50,420
- Phytosanitary Certificates by State Cooperators 397,982




Year	Percentage
2006	~5%
2007	~15%
2008	~35%
2009	~55%
2010	~85%
2011	~95%

Pale Cyst Nematode


- Eradication efforts continue
- Viability of PCN in fumigated fields declining
- Sanitation requirements
- National Survey conducted in ND, CO, MT, NE & OR
- All infested fields within a 5-mile radius

- Total infested area - 15 fields or 1,756 acres.
- PCN regulated area is 14,455 acres.





Asian Citrus Psyllid Quarantines

- The entire states of Hawaii, Louisiana, and Texas are under Federal quarantine for Asian citrus psyllid.
- Yuma county in Arizona has been quarantined for Asian citrus psyllid, however there have been no psyllid detections since October 2011.
- Seven counties in California are regulated under state and federal quarantines for Asian citrus psyllid, including: San Diego, Imperial, Ventura, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, and San Bernardino.





Citrus Greening Quarantines

- Orleans and Washington parishes in Louisiana are known to be infested with citrus greening, and are under a quarantine.
- Hidalgo County, TX on January 13, 2012
- Hacienda Heights, CA on March 30, 2012
- Emergency state quarantines have been enacted around the HLB positive finds in both Texas and California. Delimitation surveys continue.

Phytophthora ramorum (SOD)



- **Advance Notification Federal Order:** Approximately 115 stakeholders responded to the review questionnaire; 19 state regulatory agencies, 96 individual nurseries, two Regional Plant Boards and one industry association. A summary report will contain a compilation of findings from the review
 - An Options Paper for the future of the FO containing four alternatives is under the consideration of PPO's Leadership Team and Deputy Administrator
- **Current Program Challenge:**
 - We are asking states to work with their State/University/NPDR labs to process raw plant samples. Once these labs run the initial ELISA test, forward the ELISA positive samples, or the DNA subsample, to PPO's Regional Lab - Craig Webb, Plant Pathologist Identifier Craig.Webb@aphis.usda.gov. For information regarding the *P. ramorum* Program and regulatory sample workflow in the WR, please contact Stacy Scott (970) 494-7577 Stacy.Scott@aphis.usda.gov
 - The PPO CPHST Beltsville Lab needs to receive only DNA samples. Note: Only [accredited labs](http://www.aphis.usda.gov) are authorized to send samples to the Beltsville Lab- for further questions about this issue, please contact Mark Nahlik, CPHST Beltsville Lab Director at (301) 313-9211, Mark.Nahlik@aphis.usda.gov and/or CPHST NSPLS: Russ Bulluck, Russ.Bulluck@aphis.usda.gov, or Patrick Shiel Patrick.J.Shiel@aphis.usda.gov


MFF Texas



CA European Grapevine Moth Quarantine




Light Brown Apple Moth in California



- Sixteen California Counties are Federally regulated
- The moth infestations are spreading
- PPO – CPHST is analyzing the spread rate
- Working on Harmonization Plan with NPB

Grasshopper/Mormon Cricket



Current Treatments:


- UT: Mormon Cricket 20,000 acres treated
- AZ: Ground Grasshopper treatments

Potential Treatments in:

- WY, MT, ND, SD, OR, UT, NV ID

Joint PPQ/CBP AQI Activities

- Quarterly Data Analysis Targeting and Evaluating Risk (DATER) Meetings
- Quarterly Pest Risk Assessment Committee Meetings
- Pest Identification/Cargo Release Authority Training



Partnerships

- States – NPB
- Customs and Border Protection
- Industry
- Academia
- Public

Thank You!