

# 94th Annual Western Plant Board Meeting

Honolulu, Hawaii  
May 21 – 23, 2013

## Representing

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• Wyoming

### **Monday, May 20, 2013**

Noon – 5 pm    Registration

6:00 pm        President's Reception

### **Tuesday, May 21, 2013**

7:00 am        Registration

*Moderator: Helmuth Rogg, Oregon*

8:00 am        Housekeeping Comments – Neil Reimer, Hawaii

8:10 am        Western Plan Board President – Mitch Yergert, Colorado  
Meeting Brought to Order  
Membership Roll Call – Brad Lewis, New Mexico  
Approval of Minutes from 2012 Meeting  
Remarks and Committee Assignments

8:30 am        Hawaii Department of Agriculture Welcome – Russell Kokubun

8:45 am        USDA APHIS PPQ update – Sherry Sanderson, APHIS

9:15 am        National Plant Board President's Remarks – Mike Cooper, Idaho

9:30 am        CBP operations – TBD

10:15 am -    Break/ Refreshments provided

- 10:30 am Pest updates (European grapevine moth, *P. ramorum*, red imported fire ant, Africanized honeybees, boxwood blight, light brown apple moth, brown marmorated stink bug, Asian citrus psyllid, cherry blossom moth etc.  
– SPROs and SPHDs
- 12:00 Lunch provided
- Moderator: Donna Rise, Montana*
- 1:15 pm Key Note Speaker – Dr. Celia Smith, Univ. of Hawaii “Invasive Marine Alga in Hawaii and the Supersucker Project”
- 1:45 pm Key Note Speaker-Clint Burfitt, Utah, winner of 2012 WPB Award, “Critical Elements for Successful Japanese Beetle Eradication in Utah”
- 2:15 pm *Xerolenta obvia* (Eastern heath snail) – Donna Rise, Montana
- 2:30 pm SANC update and discussion – Mike Cooper, Idaho
- 2:45 pm Status of WHIS – Joshua Kress, WHIS President
- 3:00 Break/ Refreshments provided
- 3:15 pm Update on PExD and how states can interact with it – Michael Muraoka, APHIS
- 3:45 am Fruit Fly research and the coffee berry borer and coconut rhinoceros beetle – Eric Jang, USDA ARS and Colleagues
- 5:00 pm Adjourn for the day
- 6:00-9:00 pm Banquet: *Master of Ceremony, Brad White, Washington*

### **Wednesday, May 22, 2013**

8:30 am – 4:30pm Field Tour (Lunch Provided) – The tour will include visits to:

- Hawaii Coffee: Hawaii Coffee Company is the largest roaster of Kona Coffee in Hawaii. We will have a chance to see the roasting operation first hand
- Hawaii Agricultural Research Center Tour
- Monsanto: We will be visiting the Hawaii headquarters for Monsanto and be taken on a tour of their facilities and ongoing initiatives (we will be having lunch here)
- Pa'ina Hawaii LLC: Site visit to the new agriculture product irradiator
- Dole Plantation: Site visit

## **Thursday, May 23, 2013**

*Moderator: Doug Warner, Alaska*

- 8:00 am      Brown Marmorated Stink Bug – Helmut Rogg, Oregon
- 8:30 am      Hawaii Ant Lab and invasive ants in Hawaii – Casper Vanderwoude, Univ. of Hawaii
- 9:00 am      Hawaii Honeybee lab and honeybee pests – Danielle Downey, Univ. of Hawaii
- 9:30 am      Federal Audits, What to Expect – Jerry Levitt, APHIS and SPROs at 10:00 am
- Break/ Refreshment provided
- 10:15 am     Opportunities for states to utilize and participate in APHIS training programs at the PDC (Professional Development & Training Center) and other upcoming opportunities– Bethany Wolfgramm, APHIS
- 10:40 am     How states can know, participate and provide information more actively in Bi-lateral trade issues and talks – Camille Morris, APHIS
- 11:00 am     PRAM, SOD, and NORSDUC – Karen Suslow, NORSDUC and Barbara Chambers, APHIS
- 12:00 am     Lunch on Your Own
- Break out session
- 1:00 pm      Western Plan Board Business Meeting  
                 See attached agenda
- 1:00 pm      APHIS SPHD Meeting

## **Friday, May 24, 2013 Safe Travel Home**