

Meeting of the Citrus Pest and Disease Prevention Committee
Wednesday, January 18, 2012
Kern County Cooperative Extension Office, Bakersfield, CA
Meeting Minutes

CPDPC Attendees

Craig Armstrong, Don Barioni, Jr., Richard Bennett, Steve Birdsall, Dan Dreyer, Bob Felts, Jr., John Gless, Jim Gorden, Gus Gunderson, Nick Hill, Link Leavens, Mark McBroom, George McEwen, Etienne Rabe, Ph.D, Earl Rutz, Kevin Severns and Brian Specht

Guests

Dan Galbraith, Brian Taylor, Janet Taylor, Ruben Arroyo, Nancy Holland, MaryLou Polek, Ted Batkin, Alyssa Nichols, David Pegos, Linda Haque, Kevin Hoffman, Debby Tanouye, Robert Leavitt, Helene Wright, Courtney Albrecht, Tina Galindo, Susan McCarthy, Colleen Murphy, Vic Corkins, Jill Barnier and Louise Fisher

Call to Order

Chairman Nick Hill called the meeting to order at approximately 10:00 a.m.

Roll Call and Introductions

Susan McCarthy conducted the roll call and announced that a quorum was present.

Public Comment

No public comments.

Welcome and Opening Remarks

Chairman Nick Hill welcomed guests and thanked John Gless for hosting the lunch for meeting attendees and the Kern County Agricultural Commissioner for providing coffee and water.

Election of 2012-2014 officers

The following were unanimously elected as officers for 2012-14:

Kevin Severns, Secretary/Treasurer

Craig Armstrong, Vice-Chairman

Nick Hill, Chairman

Approval of Minutes from December 21, 2011 Meeting

The minutes of the December 21, 2011 meeting were approved as amended.

Budget/Assessment Current Status

Susan McCarthy reviewed the budget and balance sheets, the updated report of assessments, and the record of treatment expenditures by county (attached) with Committee members.

Southern California Operations Update

Debby Tanouye reported that treatments were complete in South Bay Terraces and a public meeting is scheduled for Jamul, prior to treatment. In Imperial County, treatments are upcoming in El Centro and Holtville. In Riverside, three large meetings are planned to encompass Murieta, Canyon Lake and Cabazon areas for next week, followed by treatments. In San Bernardino

County, a meeting is planned for Redlands. Treatments are complete in the Hemet area of Riverside County. Treatments have been discontinued in Los Angeles County.

Discussion ensued on the proper placement of the blue line (the line delineating the non-treated areas from areas where treatments will be ongoing).

Orange County -

It was moved, seconded and approved to set the blue line in Orange County along the Highway 91/55 alignment.

San Bernardino County-

It was moved, seconded and approved to set the blue line in San Bernardino along the 215 down to the 10.

Riverside County -

It was moved, seconded and approved to set the blue line in Riverside at the 215 along the 60 W to 15 S to Corona then 91.

Subcommittee Reports

Kevin Severns reported that the Transition Subcommittee had not met since the last CPDPC meeting.

Jim Gorden reported on Outreach Subcommittee activities. They discussed change in messaging due to change in treatment strategy. Susan attended the Subcommittee meeting and agreed to draft a flyer for handing out to growers encouraging them to treat for ACP.

Report on ACP Biocontrol

Christina Hoddle gave the Committee an update on the *Tamarixia* release project. 1172 parasitoids have been released to date at several sites (biocontrol grove at UC Riverside, Riverside-Mira Loma-Glen Avon, Pico Rivera-Bell Gardens, Pomona-Azuza-Duarte). She noted that rearing *Tamarixia* is too big a job for them and a mass rearing facility needs to be established.

ACP in production/retail nurseries

Courtney Albrecht, Pest Exclusion, reported to the Committee on ACP in production nurseries.

Science and Technology Subcommittee

MaryLou Polek reported on the teleconference of the Science and Technology Committee of the California State Task Force.

HLB Sampling Plan for LA

Susan reported that CDFA staff are developing the HLB sampling plan.

Report on CHRP Council

Joel Nelsen reported on discussions regarding the HLB find in Texas.

Other Business

At a previous meeting, committee members had asked Susan to determine under what criteria an emergency meeting could be called. She informed the committee that Bagley-Keene makes two provisions for holding an emergency meeting:

1. Work stoppage or other activity that severely impairs public health or safety, or both.
2. Crippling disaster that severely impairs public health or safety, or both.

Otherwise, the Committee is subject to the 10-day notice requirements.

Date and Location for Next Meeting

The next CPDPC meeting will be held in Bakersfield on February 29.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:20.