# CALIFORNIA CITRUS PEST AND DISEASE PREVENTION PROGRAM BUDGET TASK FORCE MEETING

Meeting Minutes Friday, August 18, 2017

# **Opening**:

The Budget Task Force meeting was called to order at 9:00am on August 18, 2017 in Sacramento, California by Subcommittee Chairman James McFarlane.

#### **Committee Members Present:**

Nick Condos James McFarlane*	Kevin Olsen*	Keith Watkins*
Members Absent:		
Craig Armstrong	Bob Wynn	
CDFA Staff:		
Jason Chan Victoria Hornbaker	Sara Khalid Leandro Ramos	Debby Tanouye

### \* Participated via Webinar

#### **Discussion of Ad Hoc Science Advisory Panel Recommendations**

Chair James McFarlane acknowledged the resignation of Taskforce member Gus Gunderson. The Budget Task Force deliberated budget items per Science Advisory Panel (SAP) recommendations. A spreadsheet was developed by Taskforce and scores were assigned on work tasks as recommended by the SAP

MOTION: Kevin Olsen made a motion that the Taskforce recommend the following SAP recommendations to the full Committee:

- Recommendation 7 To aggressively treat around ACP find sites in the San Joaquin Valley.
- Recommendation 12 To terminate ACP trapping in Southern California.
- Recommendation 13 To continue buffer treatments near the US/Mexico border and around commercial citrus in Imperial and Ventura counties with 90 percent PMA participation.

Keith Watkins seconded the motion and the motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Victoria suggested that the Program develops a budget based on the current work plan, and asked the Taskforce for guidance. Kevin Olsen reiterated that whatever Taskforce recommends would only serve as additional support.

James also discussed the information that he sent to Taskforce regarding his thoughts on preparing recommendations to full Committee. He stated that the Program's entire system should be

assessed, with the specific goals of identifying the impacts of diminishing program elements under various scenarios, computing a statistical estimate of each scenario's efficacy and projecting the overall program cost of each scenario.

Nick Condos stated that the budget projections and changes were based on 2016-17 budget. James requested that the Taskforce consider the following recommendations to the full Committee.

- The 2017-18 budget be calculated on the program element protocols as now written, except for any cost saving SAP recommendations that the Taskforce recommends.
- The Committee integrate the task of analyzing program cost and efficacy under various scenarios of diminished mitigation activities into the upcoming Strategic Planning process.
- The Committee authorize funding of the conversion of program data into useable forms for research purposes aimed at facilitating the Strategic Planning process.

James will modify the recommendations after further deliberations with the Committee members.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 am