

2019 CAPS Infrastructure Final Accomplishment Report
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- A. Compare actual accomplishments to objectives established as indicated in the workplan. When the output can be quantified, a computation of cost per unit is required when useful.**

Objectives:

1. Confirm the presence or absence of plant pests impacting the domestic and international movement of plants and plant products

- A total of nine federal agreements were awarded to the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) Pest Detection / Emergency Projects Branch to perform surveys for or eradications of exotic plant pests for 2019. These agreements include:

- Asian Citrus Psyllid Program
- Asian Defoliating Moth Survey
- Citrus Commodity Survey
- European Grapevine Moth Program
- Exotic Woodborer Survey
- Exotic Fruit Fly Survey (Statewide)
- Exotic Fruit Fly Survey (Port of Entry)
- Mexican Fruit Fly Eradication (Los Angeles County)
- Oriental Fruit Fly Eradication (Sacramento County)

All programs and surveys are underway or have been completed. Results are being transferred in periodic reports and submission into the appropriate national database. Successful execution of these agreements was due, in part, to the staff funded by this infrastructure agreement. Survey Summary Forms were submitted through the CAPS website, and accomplishment reports and data were submitted for plant pest survey projects from the current and prior years.

CDFA entered into contracts with County Agricultural Commissioners to conduct survey work for plant pests with funding from several of these agreements. Successful execution of these contracts was due in part to the State Survey Coordinator funded by this infrastructure agreement.

2. Establish and maintain a comprehensive network of cooperators and stakeholders to facilitate the distribution of profiles of plant pests in the United States deemed to be of regulatory significance

- Some of the funding provided by the nine federal agreements was distributed to the offices of the County Agricultural Commissioners affected by these surveys or eradication projects. The funding was used, in part, to provide training of county staff and to provide outreach materials dedicated to these projects. The State Survey Coordinator also regularly distributed new NAPIS records to CDFA staff.

3. Detect exotic pests before they become established

- The nine federal agreements above provide the means to detect new and/or incipient populations of exotic plant pests. Successful execution of these agreements was due, in part, to the staff funded by this infrastructure agreement.

4. Facilitate the export of United States Agricultural products

- The nine federal agreements above provide the necessary negative data to facilitate export of California agricultural products. Successful execution of these agreements was due, in part, to the staff funded by this infrastructure agreement.

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5. Collect and manage survey data from CAPS participants

- The nine federal agreements above provided the means to detect new and/or incipient populations of exotic plant pests. The lead scientists of each survey/program collect and manage the respective survey data. Results were transferred in periodic reports and by submission of data into the appropriate national database. Successful execution of these agreements was due, in part, to the staff funded by this infrastructure agreement.

Activities:

Data management and data entry: The various surveys and programs funded by Pest Prevention Act and other funds resulted in negative and positive occurrence data. While the actual dates of data entry varied by survey, all positive and negative data for these surveys will be entered into the appropriate national database.

Committee Service: Collaborated with internal CDFA programs to administer work/financial plan activities ensuring that programs stayed on task and moved forward to complete tasks according to their agreement responsibilities. In this regard, the State Survey Coordinator:

- Assisted with processing and communications regarding federal agreements (CAPS Surveys, non-CAPS eradication/control projects, Pest Prevention Act 7721 Agreements) between CDFA and USDA-APHIS-PPQ.
- Entered the information required for the Survey Summary Form for 2018 and 2019 agreements.
- Submitted Semi-Annual, Annual and Interim Accomplishment Reports for 2017, 2018 and 2019 agreements.
- Led processing and communications regarding contracts with County Agricultural Commissioners.
- Joined conference calls regarding new pest infestations and survey program updates with State, County, Federal and University cooperators.

Outreach and Education:

- April 11, 2019 – Gave Pest Detection / Emergency Projects (PD/EP) update to meeting of Sacramento Valley Deputy Agricultural Commissioners in Amador County.
- June 13, 2019 – Gave Pest Detection / Emergency Projects (PD/EP) update to joint meeting of Sacramento Valley and North Group Deputy Agricultural Commissioners in Glenn County.
- August 3 and September 28, 2019 – Promoted 'Don't Pack a Pest' and 'Buy it Where You Burn It' public awareness campaigns, talked about threats of invasive species to CA agriculture and environment, discussed CDFA's pest survey/trapping activities, and answered public questions at Harvest Day 2019 in Fair Oaks, CA and Farm to Fork Festival 2019 in Sacramento, CA.

Meetings:

- May 13-16, 2019 – Attended the Western CAPS meeting held concurrent with the Western Plant Board meeting in San Diego, California. Topics included Pest Prevention Act and CAPS status/funding, CAPS and NAPIS website update/training information, IPHIS updates/training information, pre-award letter needs, survey season progress, National CAPS Committee conference call summary report, reporting challenges, and open discussion.

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Conferences:

- November 4-7, 2019 – Attended the Annual Gypsy Moth Review in Seattle, Washington. Gave California gypsy moth update and yearly summary. Represented California and met with regulatory officials and researchers from other states and agencies. Discussed prevention and control strategies for related pests such as spotted lanternfly and pests associated with firewood.

Training:

- June 11, 2019 – Participated in the day-long training sponsored by California Department of Human Resources entitled 'How to Lead with Data.'
- October 2, 2019 – Joined Integrated Plant Health Information System (IPHIS) Survey Supply Ordering training webinar.
- December 4, 2019 – Participated in CAPS data entry training webinar.

B. If appropriate, explain why objectives were not met

All objectives were met.

C. Where appropriate, explain any cost overruns or unobligated funds in excess of \$1,000.

Not applicable; no cost overruns are anticipated.

D. Supporting Documents

None attached.

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