

**CISAC Invasive Shot Hole Borer Subcommittee
January 22, 2025 Meeting Minutes**

ISHB Members:

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| Bea Nobua-Behrmann | Shannon Lynch | Tom Smith |
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ISHB Members Absent:

Guests:

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| Claire Aicken | Fayek Girgis | Ambika Saini |
| Rogelio Ayon | Jan Gonzales | Dave Sanford |
| Jonathan Babineau | Heather Healy | Kallie Schloemann |
| Nara Baker | Stacy Hishinuma | Chris Shogren |
| Carrie Bassett | Krista Hoffmann | Cherie Shook |
| Emmett Brady | David Juliano | Greta Shutler |
| Keri Brumfield | John Kabashima | Sheena Sidhu |
| Rachel Burnap | Allison Klein | Matthew Slattengren |
| Neil Church | Corrie Larsen | Brice Smith |
| Julie Clark | Tatiana Manzanillo | Stephnie Stark |
| Tim Crothers | Tanner Mar | Abigail Stokes |
| Sarah Davis | Kevin Martyn | Jeremy Wagner |
| Joe Deviney | Casey McSwiggin | Hannah Wallis |
| Akif Eskalen | Karen Morgan Newe | Koren Widdel |
| Curtis Ewing | Ramona Robison | Karey Windbiel-Rojas |
| Alisa Flint | Paul Rugman-Jones | Brian Woodward |

Opening:

The California Invasive Species Advisory Committee (CISAC) Invasive Shothole Borer (ISHB) Subcommittee meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. on January 22, 2025. Dr. Shannon Lynch welcomed committee members, guests, and staff.

Presentation:

Shannon Lynch presented on ISHB. The CISAC was authorized to develop a plan with the consensus of different stakeholder groups. As a result of the working groups, a statewide strategic initiative to control *Fusarium* dieback – ISHB in California was established. The initiative funded various activities including: identifying green waste and firewood as pathways; exploring research and technology development; surveying; detection; rapid response and; providing outreach and education.

A new ISHB species *Euwallacea interjectus* has been detected in Santa Cruz County. The new beetle fungal species was confirmed by California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) in late November. As the threat from ISHB grows, the ISHB subcommittee's purpose will be to serve as the central hub for statewide communication and information sharing on ISHB updates. This will allow for coordination with regional stakeholders to develop response priorities and plans as opportunities arise. The tasks

for this meeting are to identify individuals who would like to participate, discuss the trapping plan using existing ISHB funds, initiate a needs assessment discussion, and identify action items.

Discussion:

The subcommittee identified individuals to be included on ISHB subcommittees.

Bea Nobua-Behrmann – University of California Cooperative Extension (Agreed)
Shannon Lynch – University of California Davis (Agreed)
Brian Woodward – University of California Cooperative Extension (Agreed)
David Sanford – Santa Cruz County Ag commissioner (Agreed)
Igor Lacan – University of California Cooperative Extension (Contacted)
John Kabashima – University of California Cooperative Extension (Agreed)
Koren Widdel – San Mateo County Ag Commissioner (Contacted)
Paul Rugman Jones – University of Riverside (Agreed)
Randall Oliver – University of California Cooperative Extension (Agreed)
Sara Davis – City of San Jose (Contacted)
Stacy Hishinuma – United States Forestry Service (Agreed)
Tanner Mar – CalFire (Agreed)
Tom Smith – CalFire (Agreed)
Kevin Martyn – Sacramento Ag commissioner (Contacted)
Karey Windbiel-Rojas – University of California Invasive Pest Management (Agreed)
Hudson Northop – State Parks
Lucy Dieckman – University of California Cooperative Extension
Rachel Burnap – LA County Ag Commissioner (Agreed)
Drew Raymond – Santa Clara County Ag Commissioner (Agreed)
Greta Varian – Ventura County
Stephanie Stark – Santa Barbara County (Agreed)
Curtis Ewing – CalFire (Agreed)
Hannah Wallis – University of California Invasive Pest Management Coordinator - (Agreed)
Joe Deviney – Marin County (Agreed)
Kim Corella – CalFire
Julie Clark DiBlasio – University of California Cooperative Extension (Agreed)

Other interested members include:

Waste Handlers
Rose Epperson (WISA)
Leo Tuchman (WCA)
Gordon Maatassa (Oakland)

Commissioner Koren Widdel shared the proposal for the ISHB/Mediterranean Oak Borer (MOB) Survey. The distribution of the existing \$802,187.50 in funds will be 93 percent directed towards ISHB and 7 percent directed towards MOB survey and trapping. The purpose is to better understand the population distribution with a focus on early detection of new populations to enact a rapid response. The allocation of the funds

is modeled after previous ISHB trapping projects. The grant will direct 85 percent of the funds to the county agricultural commissioners for the visual and trapping survey and CDFA will use the remaining 15 percent to purchase supplies.

Five priority groups were created. Group 1 holds the leading edge and has the newer populations in Santa Clara and Santa Cruz. Group 2 is contiguous to the leading edge, and covers the new population's areas including Alameda, Merced, Monterey, San Benito, San Francisco, San Joaquin, San Mateo, Stanislaus, Sacramento, and Contra Costa. Group 3 is the leading edge with existing populations including Los Angeles, Riverside, San Bernardino, Santa Barbara, and Ventura. Group 4 is contiguous to the leading edge and existing populations, including Kern and San Luis Obispo. Group 5 is widely infested and has existing populations, which include San Diego and Orange County. Group 1 will be trapped year-round, with other groups getting trapped during the highest flight season.

The discussion on the ISHB Subcommittee Needs Assessment will help identify short and long-term priorities and estimate costs associated with each priority. The categories include: identifying green waste and firewood as pathways; exploring research and technology development; surveying; detection; rapid response and providing outreach and education.

Public Comments:

Rogelio: When will trap supplies be available?

David Pegos: We are working on securing the supplies right now.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 3:50 p.m. The next Invasive Shothole Borer Subcommittee meeting is scheduled for February 11, 2025 at 1:30p.m.