

**California Invasive Species Advisory Committee (CISAC)
Outreach & Education Subcommittee
July 14, 2023 Meeting Minutes**

CISAC Subcommittee Members:

Tim Crothers	Ricky Lara	Katie Sutherland-Ashley
Gina Darin	Shannon Lynch	Martha Volkoff
Ted Grosholz	Beatriz Nobua-Behrmann	Koren Widdel

CISAC Members Absent:

Tom Getts	Brent Johnson	Danielle Ruiz
David Haviland	Vicki Kramer	Steve Schoenig
Stacy Hishinuma	Lori Nezhura	Tom Smith

Guests:

Jonathan Babineau	John Kabashima	David Pegos
Elizabeth Brusati	Carol Kreger	Drew Raymond
Gladys Bustos	David Morgan	Tracey Takeuchi
Corin Choppin	Randall Oliver	Ellen Walton
Linda Haque	MacKenzie Patton	

Opening

The meeting of the California Invasive Species Advisory Committee (CISAC) Outreach and Education Subcommittee was called to order at 10:05 p.m. on July 14, 2023 at the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) auditorium.

Shannon Lynch welcomed committee members, guests and staff.

Public Comments

No public comments were made by board members.

SUBCOMMITTEE BUSINESS

The Outreach Subcommittee reviewed and approved the meeting minutes for the June 26, 2023 Outreach and Education Subcommittee meeting.

The invasive species tours, which were initially conceived as three day tours, will be one day each due to the unavailability of transportation and accommodation options. There will be four invasive species tours in total; Northern California, Southern California, Central California as well as a tour for legislators and legislative staff. The Northern California tour will be conducted out of Redding and the Central California tour out of Sacramento.

David Pegos will test distance and time between recommended sites. David Pegos, Shannon Lynch and Koren Widdel have been meeting with agricultural commissioners. The Subcommittee can use the insights and feedback gained from the organization of the Northern, Southern and Central California tours to optimize the quality of the tour for legislators and legislative staff. It was suggested that the Cosumnes River Preserve and a site where attendees could observe the effects of tree maple disease be included in the

Central California tour. It was recommended that part of the Central California tour should focus on aquatic invaders and threats to the water distribution because of the economic importance of those issues at a statewide level. David Pegos noted that the subcommittee is currently considering having the tours be on Tuesdays, Wednesdays or Thursdays, leaving Mondays and Fridays free for the attendees' travel considerations and avoiding having any of the tours be on weekends. The subcommittee is attempting to secure 50-passenger buses for transportation.

There was support for the Southern California tour to take place within Orange County due to the proximity of relevant sites to each other, the opportunities to discuss coastal issues and other factors. A suggested alternative was to consider Riverside County due to the relevant facilities present and because of the less congested traffic system. The subcommittee plans to review a draft plan for an Invasive Species tour in Orange County at a future meeting, and research Riverside County and San Diego County to prepare for Invasive Species tours in those counties next year.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:28 a.m. The next scheduled CISAC Outreach and Education Subcommittee meeting is August 7, 2023 at 2:00 pm.