

CALIFORNIA INVASIVE SPECIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CISAC) MEETING
Auditorium, CDFA BUILDING

Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, October 11, 2017

Opening:

The regular meeting of the California Invasive Species Advisory Committee (CISAC) was called to order at 10:04 a.m. on October 11, 2017 in Sacramento, by California State University Sacramento Center for Collaborative Policy Senior Mediator Stephanie Lucero.

CISAC Members Present:

Karen Buhr, Fred Crowder(web), Richard Forster, Ted Grozholz, John Madsen(web), Dan Pinkerton, Tim Spann, Steve Schoenig, Grace Adams(web)

CISAC Members Absent:

Robert Atkins, Robert Blakely, Daniel Gluesenkamp, Chris Greer, Richard Harrison, Mark Huddle, Irina Irvine, Sarah Ryan, Joe Scheele, Sheri Smith, Mike Stoker, Valerie Vartanian, Helene Wright, Chris Zanobini, Ken Zimmerman

California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) Staff Present:

David Pegos, Daniel Arismendi

Others Present:

Tom Smith - CalFire

John Kabashima

Martha Volkhoff – California Dept. of Fish and Wildlife

Sheryl Landrum – Executive Director – Resource Conservation District of SD County

Michelle Dennis – Integrated Pest Control

David Kratville – Integrated Pest Control

Doug Johnson – California Invasive Plant Council

Ariana Zamora

Cheryl Wilen

Ed King

Jennifer Sedell

CISAC MEMBER UPDATES

- 9 members present – No Quorum
- **Tim Spann** – Nothing new with Shot Hole Borer from the avocado point of view. Avocado Lace Bug is creeping up. Recently found in commercial groves in Northern SD County.
- **Richard Forster** – Comments on Napa/Sonoma County Fires.
- **Ted Grozholz** – Participated in the Regional Panel Meeting Federal Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force. Regional panels are considering not meeting going

forward. Western Region met, spoke on: Invasive Water Snakes, Green Crabs, Invasive Algae, other usual issues. Effective meeting. Phone call with Oregon ISC. They would like to establish themselves further, are looking for ways to restructure possibly.

- **Karen Buhr** – Upcoming conference. Going to have many sessions and panels addressing several hot topics, including invasive species. Looking to tackle critical issues. In Sacramento November 15-17, 2017.
- **Tom Smith** – CalFire may be fully staffed soon. New target to be hired has a background in invasive species.
- **David Pegos** – Attended Native America Day. Partnering with USDA and Health and Human Services. Had a presence at Farm to Fork. Working with County Ag Commissioner as well as Ag in the Classroom. Presence at Auburn Home Show. Gold Country Home show as well. Moving forward with signage for Don't Pack a Pest at San Ysidro border crossing and LAX. Collaborating with Oregon for Don't Pack a Pest program.
- **Steve Schoenig** – Representing Cal-IPC. Nothing to report.
- **Martha Volkoff** – Submitted Grant Proposals for Nutria Eradication Project. Looking for support from CISAC.
- **Sheryl Landrum** – Major problem with urban forests. Tree mortality is an issue. Trying to remove dead and dying trees.
- **Michelle Dennis** – Bio Control Program funded under IPC. Working diligently on aquatic weed hydrilla. Also had a report of alligator weed. No more work being done on alligator weed though there is a recent discovery in the Delta. Forwarded info to Boating and Waterway to look into it.
- **David Kratville** – Worked with Cal-IPC to get funds added to weed program.
- **Doug Johnson** – Invasion of Desert Knapweed, could consume a lot of land if not controlled.
- **Fred Crowder** – Nothing to report. Will need to leave early for a Cannabis Meeting, will be back after.
- **Grace Adams** – 9 ½ acre restorations of a habitat, eradicating invasives by herbicide. Looking for clearance from Native American community before re-planting. Native plants are re-establishing themselves naturally.
- **John Madsen** – No updates.
- **John Kabashima** – Invasive Shot Hole Bore, populations increasing. Orange County Parks has spent \$2 million on this, Claremont has spent \$300k, LA does not have enough money, is struggling to manage.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS:

- No minutes from 07/19/17 meeting (Sarah Ryan was supposed to furnish those)
- Need to pick dates for 2018 meetings.
- Selection of 2018 CISAC Meeting Dates (options below):
 - January 2018:
 - **Wednesday, January 17, 2018 (date agreed upon)**
 - Wednesday, January 24, 2018
 - April 2018

- Wednesday, April 18 , 2018
 - Wednesday, April 25, 2018
 - July 2018
 - Wednesday, July 18, 2018
 - Wednesday, July 25, 2018
 - October 2018
 - Wednesday, October 17, 2018
 - Wednesday, October 24, 2018
 - Won't choose April, July, October as there is no quorum
- Soliciting new members, as current members are terming out, plus non-participants.

DISCUSSION: California Invasive Species Summit

- Dates Proposed: Thursday January 10th – Friday January 11th.
- Looking to hold the summit in the Capitol building to capitalize on legislators that will be present in the building.
- Planning Team Updates/Next Steps:
 - Mission/Objectives
 - Invite List
- Evaluating Strategic Framework
 - Prioritizing the main points from Framework to hit on at the Summit
- Prioritizing Pathways and Taxa

PUBLIC COMMENT: none offered

Next meeting: The next regularly scheduled CISAC meeting will take place at 10:00AM on January 17, 2018, in Sacramento, CA.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at: 2:59PM

Minutes taken by: Daniel Arismendi, SSA, CDFA

Approved by: CISAC Member on 7-18-18