

**California Invasive Species Advisory Committee (CISAC)
Rapid Response Process Subcommittee
February 15, 2023 Meeting Minutes**

CISAC Subcommittee Members:

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| Tim Crothers | Shannon Lynch | Tom Smith |
| Ted Grosholz | Lori Nezhura | Martha Volkoff |
| John Hackett | Steve Schoenig | Koren Widdel |
| Stacy Hishinuma | | |

CISAC Members Absent:

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| Gina Darin | Brett Johnson | Bea Nobua-Behrmann |
| Tom Getts | Vicki Kramer | Katie Sutherland-Ashley |
| David Haviland | Ricky Lara | Helene Wright |

Guests:

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| Jonathan Babineau | John Kabashima | Greta Varien |
| Thomas Boos | Jennifer Ketterlin | Tanya Veldhuizen |
| Elizabeth Brusati | Carol Kreger | Kim Wehinger |
| Joseph Deviney | Karen Lowerison | Ed Williams |
| Julius Fajardo | Kelly Parkins | Rachel Wigginton |
| Linda Haque | Christopher Shogren | |

Opening

The meeting of the California Invasive Species Advisory Committee (CISAC) Rapid Response Process Subcommittee was called to order at 1:00 p.m. on February 15, 2023 at the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) auditorium.

Martha Volkoff welcomed subcommittee members, guests and staff.

Public Comments

Board members provided the group with recent updates.

SUBCOMMITTEE BUSINESS

Develop Recommendations for Allocation of Rapid Response Funds

CISAC set aside \$682,812.50 in funding for projects that require a rapid response for invasive species containment efforts. The Subcommittee reviewed and edited verbiage in the Request For Proposal (RFP) template for project applications with the intention to distill the document into something more specifically focused on rapid response funds. CISAC will develop and present a recommendation to the Invasive Species Council of California.

The Subcommittee suggested that these funds be used for invasive species new to the state of California or a significant range expansion of an existing species. They recommended a \$100,000 maximum cap on funds for a project application, with potential for additional funds given sufficient justification. Funding could be used for identification, assessment, delimitation, action to mitigate impact or development of an eradication or control tool.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 p.m. The next scheduled CISAC Outreach and Education Subcommittee meeting is set for July 14, 2023 at CDFA room 133.