

CONTINENTAL DIALOGUE ON NON-NATIVE FOREST INSECTS & DISEASES
SIXTH DIALOGUE MEETING

Tuesday-Wednesday, October 5-6, 2010

Brandeis University
415 South Street, Waltham, Massachusetts

Proposed Agenda

Meeting Goals:

- Cultivate collaborations toward action to address the threat of non-native forest insects and diseases;
- Look for opportunities to link state and local actions to Continental Dialogue efforts to enhance national policies and strategies;
- Expand the effectiveness and reach of public and private entities and citizens in the battle against the non-native insects and diseases killing their trees; and
- Identify and agree on needed actions for the Continental Dialogue to take in the upcoming year.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5

Morning – Convene for Field Trips

Field Trip #1: Worcester, MA

Field Trip #2: Otis Labs, Buzzards Bay, MA

Field Trip #3: Arnold Arboretum, Boston, MA

LOCATION (Pick up and drop off): Marriott Boston Newton

12:15 Field Trips Return to Hotel

12:30 – 1:30 Meeting Registration
LOCATION: Brandeis University

1:30 – 1:45 Introductions, Meeting Objectives, and Agenda Review

- Introductions
- Overview of meeting objectives and agenda
- Meeting ground rules

1:45 – 2:05 Welcome

- Welcome to Brandeis – *Dan Perlman, Associate Professor of Biology, Brandeis University*
- Opening remarks
 - *Brian McPeeke, North American Conservation Region Director, The Nature Conservancy*
 - *Ramsay Ravenel, General Manager, Grantham Foundation for the Protection of the Environment*

2:05 – 2:30 Orientation to the Continental Dialogue

- Overview of the Vision and Goals, Action Agenda Opportunities, and Workgroup products/efforts – *Frank Lowenstein, The Nature Conservancy*
- Questions

- 2:30 – 2:45 Introductions and Pathways in the Northeast
Objective: Provide participants with a brief overview of local/regional challenges and issues
- Overview presentation – *Sandy Liebhold, USFS*
- 2:45 – 3:15 Economic Impacts of Non-native Forest Pests and Diseases
- Overview of NCEAS Working Group 1 Results – *Deb McCullough, Michigan State University*
- 3:15 – 3:30 **Break**
- 3:30 – 4:45 Panel #1A – Pathway Mitigation
- Golden Imports and the Three Borers: A Balance Between the Benefits and Unintended Consequences of International Trade – *Mike Springborn, UC Davis*
 - A Localized Survey of Solid Wood Packaging and Insect Activity Pre and Post ISPM 15 – *Anand Persad, Davey Tree Company*
 - Efficacy of Heat Treatment (IFQRG findings) – *Ron Mack Jr., APHIS PPQ*
 - Discussion
 - Lessons applicable to the Dialogue's efforts
 - Opportunities for Dialogue action
- 4:45 – 5:30 Panel #1B – Pathway Mitigation
- Nursery Efforts: Geraniums as an Example – *Lin Schmale, Society of American Florists*
 - The New IPPC Standard and Implications for the US and Update on Q-37 Rulemaking – *Heather Coady, APHIS PPQ*
 - Discussion
 - Lessons applicable to the Dialogue's efforts
 - Opportunities for Dialogue action
- 5:30 – 5:45 Overview of Evening Activities
- 5:45 **Adjourn to Pest Fest 2010**
LOCATION: Brandeis University

Pest Fest 2010

- 5:45 – 6:30 Reception (hors d'oeuvre and drinks), Poster Session, and Costume Contest
- 6:30 – 7:45 Dinner (provided)
- 7:45 – 8:00 Costume Contest Awards Ceremony
- 8:00 – 8:30 Coffee and Tea [*First Bus Leaves for Hotel at 8:00 p.m.*]
- 8:30 Adjourn for the Day [*Second Bus Leaves for Hotel at 8:30 p.m.*]

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6

- 7:00 – 8:00 Registration and Breakfast Available
LOCATION: Brandeis University
- 8:00 – 8:10 Welcome and Agenda Review
- 8:10 – 8:30 Progress Toward Objectives
- Opportunity for participants to reflect on day one and share what they hope to accomplish in day two
- 8:30 – 9:30 Panel #2 – Citizen Detection
- USDA's Citizen Volunteer Pest Survey Project for ALB and EAB – *Dr. Tom Chanelli, Assistant Regional Director, APHIS-PPQ, Raleigh, NC*
 - Citizen Scientists and the Invaders of Texas Program – *Dr. Damon Waitt, Director of National Plant Information Network, Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center*
 - Wasp Watcher Citizen Volunteer Initiative in Maine – *Colleen Teerling, Entomologist, Maine Forest Service*
 - Discussion
 - Similarities and differences in approach? Implications?
 - Lessons applicable to the Dialogue's efforts
 - Plans for Citizen Detection activities in 2010/2011
- 9:30 – 10:30 Panel #3 – Firewood
- Overview of Campground Visitors Study – *Mike Bobne, US Forest Service*
 - Lessons from New York State Ban on Movement – *Bruce Williamson, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation*
 - USDA National Firewood Task Force: Recommendations and Progress – *Ann Gibbs, Maine Department of Agriculture*
 - Private Campground Perspective – *Marcia Galvin, Normandy Farms*
 - Discussion
 - Lessons applicable to the Dialogue's efforts
 - Opportunities for Dialogue action
- 10:30 – 10:45 **Break**
- 10:45 – 11:45 Panel #4 – Continental Dialogue Outreach Efforts
- Overview of Efforts – *Jodie Ellis, Purdue University and Leigh Greenwood, The Nature Conservancy*
 - New Polling Results – *Dave Metz, Fairbank, Maslin, Maullin, Metz & Associates*
 - Developments in the Don't Move Firewood Campaign – *Leigh Greenwood, The Nature Conservancy*
 - Potential Topics for New Documentary – *Martin Hamburger, Hamburger & Associates*
 - Discussion
 - Lessons applicable to the Dialogue's efforts
 - Opportunities for Dialogue action

- 11:45 – 12:00 Overview of Breakout Sessions
- Topics, approach, and desired outcomes
- 12:00 – 12:45 **Lunch** (box lunches provided)
- 12:45 – 1:45 Initiative Breakout Session I
- Options:
 - Prevent Introduction – Nursery
 - Engage Industry
 - Prevent Introduction – Farm Bill Opportunities/Ideas
 - Explore Citizen-based Pest Surveys
- 1:45 – 1:50 Transition to Breakout Session II
- 1:50 – 2:50 Initiative Breakout Session II
- Options:
 - NFQP – Pest-specific Link Ups
 - Outreach and Coordination Around Documentary
 - Address P. Ramorum – Outreach Effort in the East
 - Prevent Introduction – Wood Packaging
- 2:50 – 3:10 **Break**
- 3:10 – 4:00 Where Do We Go Next? – Timeline and Actions for 2011
- Brief overview of Breakout Session next steps
 - Identify other priority actions
 - Develop preliminary timeline for actions
- 4:00 – 4:30 Summary and Next Steps
- Acknowledgments
 - Steering Committee next steps
- 4:30 **Adjourn**