

## 10201- VI. Enhance Mitigation Capabilities

<b>1. Strategy: Build on and improve the current mechanism to assess and decide an appropriate short-term course of action to respond quickly to a new detection of a pest of potential regulatory significance.</b>						
	<b>Not Important</b>	<b>Important</b>	<b>Very Important</b>	<b>No Opinion</b>	<b>Rating Average</b>	<b>Response Count</b>
Work with the New Pest Advisory Group (NPAG) that engages scientists worldwide, State departments of agriculture, and other federal agencies to obtain the most recent information, and develop a process to address emergency response activity to be funded by Section 10201.	1.9% (2)	<b>54.8% (57)</b>	38.5% (40)	4.8% (5)	2.38	104
Create a decision-making framework that takes into account the wide number of factors (scientific, economic, social, environment, etc.) that need to be considered when making decisions regarding the appropriate response to a pest.	3.8% (4)	<b>55.8% (58)</b>	38.5% (40)	1.9% (2)	2.35	104
Communicate decision-making framework and the parameters of rapid response to be funded by Section 10201.	5.8% (6)	<b>56.7% (59)</b>	32.7% (34)	4.8% (5)	2.28	104
	<b><i>answered question</i></b>					<b>104</b>
	<b><i>skipped question</i></b>					<b>1</b>

**2. Strategy: Utilize PPQ initial response protocols for the overarching goals of containment, control, or eradication at the onset of plant health emergencies. Promote the use of the ICS as a unified strategy between cooperating agencies in response to plant health emergencies.**

	Not Important	Important	Very Important	No Opinion	Rating Average	Response Count
Fund plant health emergency response activities according to initial response protocols.	2.9% (3)	<b>47.1% (49)</b>	42.3% (44)	7.7% (8)	2.43	104
Perform After Action Conference on bi-yearly basis to ensure response efforts are improving.	6.8% (7)	<b>60.2% (62)</b>	25.2% (26)	7.8% (8)	2.20	103
	<i>answered question</i>					<b>104</b>
	<i>skipped question</i>					<b>1</b>

**3. Strategy: To prepare the agency and collaborative programs in the use of the ICS for plant health response activities by reaching risk-based target levels of capability with the development of a multi-year training schedule.**

	Not Important	Important	Very Important	No Opinion	Rating Average	Response Count
Develop capability and objective list for Plant Protection and Quarantine (PPQ) program trainings based on after action reports of plant health responses and improvement requests.	4.9% (5)	<b>63.1% (65)</b>	19.4% (20)	12.6% (13)	2.17	103
Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program (HSEEP) qualified personnel will actively mentor command and general staff on plant health emergencies to ensure training and Incident Command System (ICS) protocols are followed.	15.5% (16)	<b>48.5% (50)</b>	18.4% (19)	17.5% (18)	2.04	103
Expand improvement planning with capability based schedule and ICS testing, training, and exercise program.	9.7% (10)	<b>58.3% (60)</b>	17.5% (18)	14.6% (15)	2.09	103
	<i>answered question</i>					<b>103</b>
	<i>skipped question</i>					<b>2</b>

**4. Strategy: Provide technical assistance prior to, during, and immediately following the development of a plant health emergency through the development of New Pest Response Guidelines (NPRG) for the potential introduction of exotic plant pests.**

	Not Important	Important	Very Important	No Opinion	Rating Average	Response Count
Conduct assessment of high-risk pests.	1.0% (1)	16.7% (17)	<b>80.4% (82)</b>	2.0% (2)	2.81	102
Communicate to stakeholders available NPRGs.	1.0% (1)	<b>54.9% (56)</b>	43.1% (44)	1.0% (1)	2.43	102
Disseminate to stakeholders available NPRGs.	4.9% (5)	<b>53.4% (55)</b>	40.8% (42)	1.0% (1)	2.36	103
Benchmark use of NPRGs against actual field use.	5.8% (6)	<b>54.4% (56)</b>	33.0% (34)	6.8% (7)	2.29	103
Conduct needs assessment of NPRGs with each State based on a commodity.	8.8% (9)	<b>52.0% (53)</b>	36.3% (37)	2.9% (3)	2.28	102
	<i>answered question</i>					<b>103</b>
	<i>skipped question</i>					<b>2</b>

**5. Suggestions?**

	Response Count
	13
	<i>answered question</i>
	<b>13</b>
	<i>skipped question</i>
	<b>92</b>

6. Select the category that best describes your affiliation (choose only one).

		Response Percent	Response Count
State Government		55.2%	37
Federal Government		34.3%	23
Agricultural Industry		3.0%	2
Non-governmental Organization		1.5%	1
University/Cooperative Extension		6.0%	4
Research		0.0%	0
Other (please specify)			35
		<b>answered question</b>	<b>67</b>
		<b>skipped question</b>	<b>38</b>