

2008 Farm Bill: Section 10201

Plant Pest and Disease Management and Disaster Prevention

**Web Meeting
May 28, 2009**

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Opening Remarks

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Overview of 2008 Farm Bill, Section 10201

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The Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 *Sec. 10201*

Section 10201: Plant Pest and Disease Management and Disaster Prevention.

Secretary is to make available Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) funds for early detection and rapid response of pest threats.

The 5-year Farm Bill specifies that these funds are to be made available incrementally, starting with \$12 million in FY09, \$45 million in FY10, and \$50 million in FY11 and thereafter.

The Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 *Sec. 10201*

In consultation with the National Plant Board and other interested parties, to enter into a **cooperative agreement** with each State department of agriculture ...

The Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 *Sec. 10201*

To establish a threat identification and mitigation program to determine and address threats to the domestic production of crops.

The Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 *Sec. 10201*

Develop **risk assessments** of the potential threat to the agricultural industry of the United States from foreign sources, collaborate with the NPB, and implement **action plans** for high consequence plant pests and diseases.

The Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 *Sec. 10201*

To provide funds and technical assistance ... for audit-based certification systems and nursery plant pest risk management systems, in collaboration with the nursery industry, research institutions, and other entities to address plant pests.

10201 Implementation Plan Goals

Goals	APHIS Team Leaders
1. Enhance Analysis & Survey	Dan Borchert, CPHST
2. Domestic Inspection	Tim McNary, PPQ-WR
3. Technology Enhancement	Dan Fieselmann, CPHST
4. Safeguarding Nursery Production	Erich Rudyj, PHP
5. Outreach and Education	Heather Curlett, LPA
6. Enhance Mitigation Capabilities	John Canaday, EDP

1. Enhance Analysis and Surveys

Dan Borchert

1. Enhance Analysis & Survey

To enhance gathering and analyzing all available data to efficiently and effectively make informed decisions, and to deploy resources to detect pests as early as possible.

1. Enhance Analysis & Survey

- Identify and target high-risk pest pathways,
- Fully fund the highest priority pest-specific surveys, and
- Enhance high-risk surveillance programs through State survey cooperative agreements.

Questions and Comments

1. What comments do you have about “enhance analysis and surveys?”
2. What would you add for “enhance analysis and surveys?”

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2. Target Domestic Inspection Activities

Tim McNary

2. Domestic Inspection

To target domestic inspection activities at vulnerable points in the safeguarding continuum that result from the movement of products and commodities potentially carrying pests of regulatory significance.

2. Domestic Inspection

- **Promote and expand inland inspections of container and mail facilities where possible;**
- **Expand the use of canine teams for domestic survey and detection activities;**

2. Domestic Inspection

- **Develop, initiate, and support States in inspections for Official Control; and**
- **Promote increased levels of inspection for regulated articles for interstate movement.**

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2. What would you add to “target domestic inspection activities?”

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3. Pest ID and Technology Enhancement

**Dan Fieselmann,
Lisa Jackson presenter**

3. Technology Enhancement

To provide training and deploy survey procedures and tools that will improve our ability to rapidly detect and accurately identify pests of regulatory significance.

3. Technology Enhancement

- **Improve traps/lures, expand their availability, stockpile supplies for rapid deployment, and developing new diagnostic techniques.**
- **Enhance pest screening expertise and taxonomic capacity.**
- **Increase use of molecular diagnostic tools for specific plant diseases and invertebrate pest identifications and determinations of pest point of origin.**

3. Technology Enhancement

- **Develop a comprehensive Traps & Lures Management Program for the procurement and delivery of quality survey supplies to PPQ field personnel and State cooperators in a timely manner.**
- **Pursue offshore initiatives to optimize early detection programs.**

Questions and Comments

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4. Safeguarding Nursery Production

Erich Rudyj

4. Safeguarding Nursery Production

- I. To develop science-based best management practices (BMPs) and risk mitigation practices to exclude, contain, and control regulated plant pests from the nursery production system.

4. Safeguarding Nursery Production

- Establish the “National Ornamentals Research Site at Dominican University of California”.
 - Initial focus on *Phytophthora ramorum*; develop BMPs to exclude, contain, and eradicate the pathogen in the nursery environment.
- Expand research to other nursery pathogens of quarantine significance that are present in California and threaten other States as well.

4. Safeguarding Nursery Production

II. To develop and harmonize audit-based Nursery Certification Programs (harmonize different certification programs, audit and inspection training for cooperators, and launching the program).

4. Safeguarding Nursery Production

- Nursery certification program- develop a harmonized and integrated program (includes the greenhouse and NCPN).
- Training- Develop and deliver to cooperators, providing material and technical assistance in developing the quality operational manual for small-scale nurseries.
- Work with all stakeholders and cooperators to launch and support the certification program for the nursery industry.

Questions and Comments

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2. What would you add to “safeguarding nursery production?”

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5. Outreach and Education

Heather Curlett

5. Outreach and Education

To increase public understanding, acceptance, and support of plant pest and disease eradication and control efforts.

5. Outreach and Education

- Expand ongoing, proactive outreach efforts to Congress and elected officials to inform them of PPQ's extensive role.
- Initiate efforts in affected or at-risk areas to systematically engage citizens in public decision-making and consensus-building forums.
- Enhance ongoing pest/disease information campaigns by creating and maintaining a highly visible, centralized, and coordinated web site and portal.
- Evaluate opportunities in affected or at-risk areas to use social media to support strategic public communications.

5. Outreach and Education

To encourage public and stakeholder participation in pest surveillance and detection activities and instill public confidence in PPQ programs.

5. Outreach and Education

- **PPQ Plant Biosecurity Curriculum- build an educational foundation for plant protection and biosecurity and regulatory studies in cooperation with educational institutions.**
- **Formal volunteer program to support CAPS.**

5. Outreach and Education

- **National mechanism (e.g., hotline and web site) to simplify and streamline the reporting of suspected pests and diseases and ensure that reports are funneled to the appropriate authorities.**
- **Outreach to key stakeholder groups (e.g., scientific societies) to reinforce the importance of active reporting of suspected pests and diseases.**

5. Outreach and Education

To increase the likelihood that the public will adopt behaviors to help mitigate the introduction or spread of exotic pests/diseases.

5. Outreach and Education

- **Develop and implement a single, coordinated, national, multi-year public awareness/social marketing initiative to educate the public about the unintended consequences often associated with common behaviors (moving firewood, shipping citrus, traveling internationally, etc.)**

Questions and Comments

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2. What would you add to “outreach and education?”

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6. Enhance Mitigation Capabilities

John D Canaday

6. Enhance Mitigation Capabilities

To provide an unencumbered mechanism to determine the most suitable response and deploy resources quickly to mitigate potential economic and environmental damage and further spread of a detected pest of regulatory significance when deemed appropriate.

6. Enhance Mitigation Capabilities

- **Build on 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.**

6. Enhance Mitigation Capabilities

- Utilize PPQ initial response protocols:
 - Containment, control, or eradication at the onset of plant health emergencies
 - Promote the use of the Incident Command System (ICS) as a unified strategy between cooperating agencies in response to plant health emergencies.

6. Enhance Mitigation Capabilities

- **ICS training** for plant health response activities
 - Reach risk-based target capability levels with a multi-year training schedule.
- **New Pest Response Guidelines (NPRG)**
 - Provide technical assistance prior to, during, and immediately following the development of a plant health emergency through the development of for the potential introduction of exotic plant pests.

Questions and Comments

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Next Steps

The Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 *Sec. 10201*

- ✓ 3/30/2009- Implementation Plan for 10201 is posted on the APHIS website. A Stakeholder Registry is provided to the public to receive updates, and the public may also send comments to APHIS by email.
- ✓ 4/17/2009- OMB approves apportionment request for \$12 million in the FY 2009 Omnibus funding.
- ✓ 4/30/2009- NPB posts an online survey to its website, providing a means for the public to comment on the 10201 Implementation Plan. APHIS worked with the NPB on the survey. The survey closes June 1.
- ✓ 5/13/2009- FY09 Spending Plan is finalized. Priorities are identified and funds are allocated. All funds must be obligated by September 30, 2009.
- ✓ 5/28/2009- Stakeholder Webinar is convened to obtain input on plans to implement 10201.
- 6/8-9/2009- Stakeholder Meeting convenes. Input is received for FY2010 and beyond.



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The Farm Bill - Section 10201



2008 Farm Bill The Farm Bill—H.R. 6124 Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008—became law in June 2008. Section 10201 ("Plant Pest and Disease Management and Disaster Prevention") directs the Secretary of Agriculture to make available Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) funds for early plant pest detection and surveillance, for threat identification and mitigation of plant pests and diseases, and for technical assistance in the development and implementation of audit-based certification systems and nursery plant pest risk management systems. The five-year Farm Bill specifies that these funds be made available incrementally, starting with \$12 million in fiscal year (FY) 2009, \$45 million in FY 2010, and \$50 million in FY 2011 and thereafter.

The proposed strategies, goals, actions, timelines, and funding objectives to implement Section 10201 are the subject of this website. APHIS wants to discuss its ideas and fully engage stakeholders in designing a risk-based approach to disburse funds, and to begin work on these new provisions. Implementation of this plan will require an unprecedented level of communication and cooperation from all stakeholders involved in the efforts to safeguard and protect the U.S. plant and agricultural health. The USDA will partner with States

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Additional Information for the 2008 Farm Bill:

- [2008 Farm Bill](#)
- [Implementation Plan for Section 10201 \(PDF; 204 Kb\)](#)
- [White Paper for Section 10201 \(PDF; 186 Kb\)](#)
- [Spending Plan Information for Section 10201 \(PDF; 73 Kb\)](#)

Farm Bill Stakeholder Meeting

On June 8-9, 2009, PPQ will host a stakeholder meeting in Riverdale, MD to obtain input on implementing Section 10201. Space for this event is limited, so please register early. On-Line Registration is available by selecting [this link](#).

- [Draft Meeting Agenda \(PDF; 29 Kb\)](#)

E-Mail Contact Information

Please submit questions regarding implementation of Section 10201 of the Farm Bill to the following email address:

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APHIS, PPQ Stakeholders Registry

If you wish to be notified as new information become available regarding implementation of the Farm Bill, please register for the APHIS-PPQ stakeholder registry and select the Farm Bill as a topic of interest.

- [Stakeholders Registry](#)

Farm Bill Survey

APHIS is seeking input from the National Plant Board (NPB), industry, the public, and other interested stakeholders. The NPB is providing a mechanism for you to provide input on each activity in the Implementation Plan via six surveys linked to each of the six strategies. The surveys are designed as a rating scale, with space to enter your suggestions at the end of each survey. Responses are confidential, and will aid in APHIS's efforts to implement Section 10201 of the Farm Bill.

- [Farm Bill Survey](#)

**Thank you for attending today's Web-
Meeting!**

FY09 Spending Plan

<u>GOAL</u>	<u>FY09 Allocations*</u>
Enhance Analysis & Survey	\$3,300,000
Domestic Inspection	\$1,000,000
Technology Enhancement	\$1,962,475
Safeguarding Nursery Production	\$1,302,333
Outreach and Education	\$1,082,000
Enhance Mitigation Capabilities	\$2,611,142
TOTAL	\$11,257,950**

* See the Spending Plan details at:

http://www.aphis.usda.gov/plant_health/plant_pest_info/pest_detection/downloads/farbill-spendingplan.pdf

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