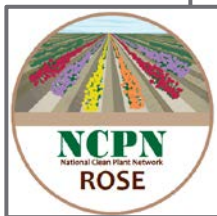
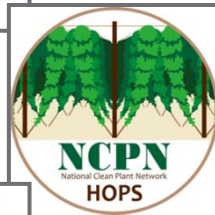
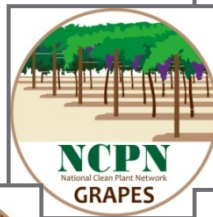




# National Clean Plant Network



*NCPN Fruit  
Trees  
Update  
April 2020*

*USDA/APHIS/PPQ  
Science and Technology*



# NCPN Grants Program – FY 2020

## NCPN Budget and Proposals FY 2020 - Highlights

- 25 ‘Crop’ Proposals > \$7.5 M ‘ask’
- Six ‘Special Topics’ Proposals > \$1.7 M ‘ask’
  - Strategic/Business/Operations Planning
  - Education/Outreach
  - Economics
  - Quality Management
  - Virus Information – Scientific Collaboration
  - High Throughput Sequencing
- Total ‘ASK’ for FY 2020 >>> **\$9.2 million**
- Budget Availability >>> **\$7.5 million**
- **\$7.15 M** > Agreements [92% Operations & 8% Special Initiatives]

*Break News*  
*NCPN Budget Increased*  
*FY 2020*



# NCPN 'Fruit Trees'

## NCPN- Fruit Trees – Some Numbers 2020

- NCPN-Fruit Trees FY 2020 - Funding
  - ✓ The 'ask' is \$1.43m > the 'give' is \$1.38m >>> 96%
- Center Details:
  - ✓ WSU/Prosser >>> \$715k >>> 100%
  - ✓ UC/Davis >>> \$382k >>> 100%
  - ✓ Clemson (SC) >>> \$281k >>> 100%
  - ✓ U. Georgia >>> \$75k >>> but 'give' is \$-0- this year.
- U. Georgia – *Why no support in 2020?*
  - ✓ Request for Xylella fastidiosa a non-viral pathogen
  - ✓ Request focused on exploratory research
  - ✓ Other sources of support suggested





# NCPN 'Fruit Trees' Issues – Spring 2020

## Emerging Issues - Spring 2020 > NCPN-FT

### ➤ COVID-19:

- From an NCPN national perspective, what short and long-term impacts might we anticipate and plan for?

### ➤ NCPN-Fruit Trees > Non-NCPN Program

#### 'Quarantine' Needs:

- What is the issue / What are the needs?
- What's the status of activities?



# COVID19 - A National Challenge

## COVID19 – NCPN - Some National Observations on Impacts

### • NCPN Supported Center Staffing

- ✓ Staff scheduling for ‘social distancing; rare telework options
- ✓ How can we best keep our folks employed? *NCPN is also an Insurance Policy!*

### • Center Work and Industries Need for Clean Plant Materials

- ✓ New requests and projects often on hold; reduced operations
- ✓ Might a ‘new normal’ look different from the past?

### • Availability of Equipment and Supplies --- *Future Concerns*

- ✓ Prioritizing work due to possibly limited material availability?
- ✓ Are shortages possible? Where are we if supplies are prioritized?

### • NCPN Governance and Meetings

- ✓ Electronic only; meetings cancelled or postponed for FY 2019 - Funds Disposition?
- ✓ How do we best help stay together?

### • NCPN Agreements – Administration ad Flexibilities

- ✓ Extensions likely needed; funding flexibilities sought
- ✓ What options are available from USDA?



# NCPN Fruit Trees – Quarantine

## NCPN-Fruit Trees – Quarantine Issues and Needs

- **A Prime Category of Fruit Trees Requiring Program Support**
  - ✓ Fruit Trees Imported for Initial Variety Trials – small and large scale
- **The Problem**
  - ✓ USDA Prohibits Plant Entry in Many Cases under NAPPPRA
  - ✓ Exception >>> if entry into ‘Quarantine’
  - ✓ The Problem >>> Facilities non-existent, expensive, or not well suited
- **The Solution**
  - ✓ USDA discussions as to how best to resolve --- Team being proposed
- **USDA Entities Needing to be Part of the Discussion**
  - ✓ USDA Post-Entry Quarantine (PEQ) Program Coordinators
  - ✓ USDA Plants for Planting (Q-37) Program Coordinators
  - ✓ USDA Program Risk Analysis Coordinators
  - ✓ USDA Permitting Program Coordinators
  - ✓ USDA Clean Plant Program Coordinators
- **Status of Team**
  - ✓ *Discussion*

*Policy Questions*







# NCPN- Special Initiatives

- Strategic Planning
- Economics
- Quality
- Scientific Information Sharing
- *Education/Outreach/Communications*



# Education/Outreach/Communications

- National and Crop Level Communications Plans
- Plans Drafted Over 2 Year Period
- Developers Largely from the NCPN Educ./Outreach Team
- Next Steps?
  - ✓ Plans in Hands of Education/Outreach Team
  - ✓ Initial Assessments of Plans Requested from Tier 1 & Tier 2's
  - ✓ Build Appropriate Review and Implementation Cadre
  - ✓ Determine Status:
    - What are we already doing?
    - What can we add?
    - What's beyond our needs?
- Issues? Leadership, Process, Purpose, and Cost







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