

## MINUTES OF THE INTERSTATE PFST CONTROL COMPACT MEETING

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CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

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Chairman Dale Locker convened the meeting at 9:10 a.m. with the following in attendance:

Illinois	Ron King
Michigan	John Dreves
Minnesota	Dr. Rollin M. Dennistoun
Ohio	Dale Locker
Virginia	Marshall W. Trammell, Jr.
NASDA	J. B. Grant
USDA - APHIS	Don Husnik

In the absence of a quorum those present acted as a subcommittee of the Compact.

Item: Review of Minutes of September 16, 1984 meeting.

No comments or corrections were received.

Item: Financial Report. Ron King, Illinois presented the financial report, a copy of which is attached to and made a part of these minutes. Those present were reminded that the total Compact commitment to Maryland was \$93,000. To date \$35,938.22 has been paid. It is expected that Maryland will invoice the Compact for the remaining amount of the grant sometime in July or August of 1985.

Item: Program Update and Programs Funded.

A. Michigan Grape Cyst Nematode - John Dreves, Michigan reported that two applications of EDB were made the last part of September 1984. These applications were to a 40 acre area located on one farm. He also reported that wild grapes in some woodlots had been found to show evidence of the nematode and they had used injection equipment to treat those areas. One hundred samples near the treated area and the injected areas have been taken. Of the grape remnants to date, two positives have been found. One came from the edge of the treated area and one on a roadside. Michigan will be planting nurse plants and then carrying out further checks to determine whether or not they need to treat the area again.

Item: Possible proposal from APHIS. Don Husnik advised the members present that in 1984, 204,000 exotic or new pests were found at the various ports of entry to the United States. Of these 40,000 were considered serious. Of those, 33 were determined to be new exotic pests with the potential for major significance. APHIS then determined to take action against 10 of the 33. The action taken involved surveys and other inquiries or actions to determine the present or potential economic impact. In all cases, the states were asked to cooperate with APHIS by providing funds. In most instances the states responded favorably. Again, we must be reminded that even this significant action involved only 10 of the 33 determined to be the most serious. The question by APHIS is: Would the Compact be in a position to and would it be appropriate for it to provide limited funds to assist in surveys or other efforts to determine the present and potential economic impact of such new and exotic pests? The Compact procedure was discussed and it was pointed out that a "Request to Invoke" the Compact has always been made by a Compact member state. It was the consensus that APHIS should review this program and prepare a proposal for submission to the Compact. It was also pointed out that with the modern methods of transportation that the potential for infestations occurring in areas many miles from the coast have greatly increased.

Item: Blue Ribbon Panel for Study of Agricultural Quarantine Inspection Program. This panel has been established to review the present agricultural quarantine programs that are available or in use at the ports of entry to the United States. It again applies to the introduction of new and exotic pests to the United States and will be looking at ways to improve container inspection programs. The potential is primarily with the materials that come in containers and not as much with the agricultural items that may come in in hand luggage because a majority of those items are found during the entry inspection. It was the consensus of those present that a recommendation be presented to NASDA supporting cooperative inspection programs for the inspection of materials coming into the country via the container method.

Item: Need for more information regarding new or exotic pests. Don Husnik, APHIS agreed to provide the Compact with maps, locations, and other information regarding the location of new and exotic pests; also some of the potential economic impacts.

Item: Possible new member states for the Compact.

- a. Wyoming is in the process of enacting legislation. Commissioner Orton has also made contact with Montana and Idaho.
- b. Hawaii is considering enacting legislation to become a member of the Compact.
- c. Maine has enacted legislation but has not made its contribution to the Insurance Fund.
- d. Alabama, Indiana, Missouri, Washington, and Florida all have some potential for becoming members.