

Protect U.S. Community Invasive Species Network Train-the-Trainer Webinar

A train-the-trainer introductory webinar for the “Protect U.S. Community Invasive Species Network” will be held on Tuesday, February 8, 2011 at 3:00 p.m. ET, 2:00 p.m. CT, 1:00 p.m. MT, 12:00 p.m. PT and 9:00 a.m. Hawaii-Aleution time zone. This session will provide basic information on the purpose, content and direction of the Protect U.S. project. It is expected that key participants will include IPM coordinators, NPDN first detector trainers, and other extension educators from 1862, 1890 and 1994 Land Grant Institutions. The training is also appropriate for other federal and state governmental agency employees involved in invasive species detection and management.

This training is voluntary and offered at no cost to the participants. Interested individuals must register on-line at <http://www.ncipmc.org/training/>. Once registered, the automated system will provide updates regarding call-in information as well as access to PowerPoint slide sets and other web-based delivery tools that will be used during the training. Although some PowerPoint slide sets will be available in advance, participants should plan to have access to a high-speed internet connection during the training. Some of the web-based demonstrations will only be available through the webinar portion of the session.

If you have questions about the training, please contact Susan Ratcliffe, Director of the North Central IPM Center at 217-333-9656 or via email at ipm@illinois.edu. Please share this training announcement with others within your state that would benefit from the sessions.

An agenda of the topics to be covered and presenters are listed below for your review.

Introduction and Protect U.S. Project Overview <i>Dr. Martin Draper, USDA-NIFA</i>	3:00-3:10
Protect U.S. Web Overview <i>Ms. Stephanie Stocks, Protect U.S. Coordinator, University of Florida</i>	3:10-3:25
NPDN First Detector Training Overview <i>Dr. Amanda Hodges, SPDN, University of Florida</i>	3:25-3:35
Overview: Invasive Species that Affect Plants <i>Dr. Amanda Hodges, SPDN, University of Florida</i>	3:35-3:45
Asian Citrus Psyllid, <i>Diaphorina citri</i> , and Citrus Greening Disease <i>Dr. Natalie Hummel, Louisiana State University AgCenter</i>	3:45-3:55
Wheat Stem Rust, Ug99 <i>Dr. Erick De Wolf, Kansas State University</i>	3:55-4:05
Laurel Wilt and the Redbay Ambrosia Beetle, <i>Xyleborus glabratus</i> <i>Ms. Carrie Harmon, SPDN, University of Florida</i>	4:05-4:15
Plant Biosecurity Modules, College and K-12 <i>Ms. Stephanie Stocks, Protect U.S. Coordinator, University of Florida</i>	4:15-4:25
Synopsis-Future Modules and Project Direction <i>Dr. Susan Ratcliffe, NCIPMC, University of Illinois</i>	4:25-4:35



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