



FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT

22ndnd USDA INTERAGENCY RESEARCH FORUM ON INVASIVE SPECIES

*Tuesday, January 11—Friday, January 14, 2011
Loews Annapolis Hotel, Annapolis, Maryland*

The Program Committee is pleased to announce the following draft agenda for the 2011 meeting.

Keynote Speakers

Tom Tidwell, Chief, USDA-FS, “Forest Service challenges in protecting natural resources from invasive species”

Dr. Julie Lockwood, Rutgers University, “Biological Invasions”

General Session Topics

- Applying population ecology to strategies for eradicating invasive forest insects
- Chemical and behavioral cues used by Buprestid and Cerambycid wood borers
- Bio-economic analysis of forest insect and disease invasions to support more sound trade policies
- Emerald ash borer program highlights

In addition to the General Sessions, this year’s program will include several invited and offered presentations on topics that are relevant to the issue of non-native invasive species:

- What we have learned from our experiences with *Phytophthora ramorum*
- Thousand canker disease of walnut: developments and spread
- Use of arboreta surveys and sentinel tree plantings in Eastern Asia to identify potential forest pests in Europe
- Chemical attractants for *Sirex noctilio*
- Winter moth: biological control and dynamics of outbreak populations in New England
- Update of EPPO activities in Forest Quarantine in 2010

Evening Mixer – Wednesday evening, January 12

Poster Display Sessions – The Tuesday afternoon poster session will include complimentary beverages. Posters will be displayed in a separate room and will be



accessible for viewing through Thursday, January 13.

Poster displays on invasive species and related topics are always welcome. Please contact Vince D'Amico (vdamico@fs.fed.us or vincentdamico@yahoo.com) regarding guidelines and space availability.

A limited number of openings are available on the Program for research presentations. Please contact me at mlmcmamus@fs.fed.us as soon as possible if you are interested in giving a presentation.

Mark your calendar to set these dates aside. Please share this announcement with others who may not be on the mailing list. Information on registration, hotel, abstract and poster guidelines, and the program will be sent to you in November and will be available at the **new** meeting website:

http://www.nrs.fs.fed.us/disturbance/invasive_species/interagency_forum/

We look forward to seeing you in Annapolis.

/s/ Michael L. McManus
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