

**National Agricultural Research, Extension, Education and  
Economics (NAREEE) Advisory Board**

**CITRUS DISEASE SUBCOMMITTEE - AGENDA**

**Thursday, February 2, 2017 – Friday, February 3, 2016**

San Antonio, TX

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**Thursday, February 2, 2017**

**PART I: Welcome and Introductions**

- 8:00 am – 8:25 am **Introduction of Members and Other Attendees**  
*Michele Esch*, Executive Director/Designated Federal Officer, NAREEE  
Advisory Board and Citrus Disease Subcommittee
- 8:25 am – 8:30 am **Safety and Hospitality**  
*Shirley Morgan-Jordan*, Program Support Coordinator, NAREEE Advisory  
Board
- 8:30 am – 8:45 am **Welcoming Comments**  
*Tom Jerkins*, Chair, Citrus Disease Subcommittee

**PART II: SCRI/CDRE Project Director Presentations**

- 8:45 am – 9:00 am **Opening Remarks**  
*Dr. Parag Chitnis*, Deputy Director, Institute of Food Production and  
Sustainability, NIFA
- 9:00 am – 12:00 pm **Project Director Presentations**  
*The SCRI Project Directors will present the goals of their research projects and  
accomplishments to date. There will be 20 minutes for each new Project  
Director to present. Returning Project Directors will receive 5-10 minutes to  
provide updates. 5 minutes will be provided after each presentation for  
questions. Refer to the abstracts for additional information.*
- | <b>New Project Directors</b> | <b>Returning Project Directors</b>     |
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| <i>Dean Gabriel</i>          | <i>Reza Ehsani</i>                     |
| <i>Michelle Cilia</i>        | <i>Michelle Cilia, for Susan Brown</i> |
| <i>David Gang</i>            | <i>Graciela Lorca</i>                  |
| <i>Kirsten Stelinski</i>     | <i>Bill Dawson, for Bryce Falk</i>     |
| <i>Wenbo Ma</i>              |  |
| <i>Swadeshmukul Santra</i>   |  |
| <i>Goutam Gupta</i>          |  |
- 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm **Working Lunch** (for members, speakers and panelists)

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**PART V: Citrus Disease Research Efforts and Activities**

- 1:00 pm – 1:20 pm     **Progress in Delivering Solutions to HLB and an Overview of the 2017 Comprehensive National Academies of Science Review of HLB Research to date in the US**  
*Dr. Harold Browning*, Chief Operating Officer, Citrus Research and Development Foundation, Inc.
- 1:20 pm – 1:30 pm     Discussion on Florida CRDF Research Activities
- 1:30 pm – 1:50 pm     **California Citrus Research Board Activities**  
*Melinda Klein*, Chief Research Scientist, California Citrus Research Board
- 1:50 pm – 2:00 pm     Discussion on California Research Activities
- 2:00 pm – 2:20 pm     **Citrus Research Activities at ARS**  
*Dr. Maureen Whalen*, Deputy Administrator, Agricultural Research Service
- 2:20 pm – 2:30 pm     Discussion on ARS Activities
- 2:30 pm – 3:00 pm     **Break**
- 3:00 pm – 3:20 pm     **USDA HLB Multi Agency Coordinating Committee Updates & Activities**  
*Dr. Mary Palm*, HLB MAC and CHRP, USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service
- 3:20 pm – 3:30 pm     Discussion on HLB/MAC Activities and Future Priorities
- 3:30 pm – 4:00 pm     **General Discussion and Q&A with the Presenters**

**PART III: Citrus Disease Research and Extension (CDRE) Program**

- 4:00 pm – 4:20 pm     **Overview of the CDRE Program and Presentation of FY2015 CDRE Grant Award Topics**  
*Dr. Tom Bewick*, National Program Leader, NIFA
- 4:20 pm – 5:00 pm     **Discussion on CDRE Activities and FY2015 Grants Awarded**
- 5:00 pm – 5:15 pm     **Public Comment**
- 5:15 pm                 **Adjourn for Evening**
- Group Dinner** (optional)

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8:30 am – 8:45 am **Overview of Agenda for Day**  
*Tom Jerkins, Chair, Citrus Disease Subcommittee*

#### **PART VI: Establishment of FY 2015 Agenda and Priorities for the Citrus Disease Research and Extension**

8:45 am – 9:00 am **Overview of Charge to the Subcommittee for Recommendations to NIFA**  
*Michele Esch, Executive Director, NAREEE Advisory Board and CDS*

9:00 am – 9:30 am **Working Session: Formalizing Recommendations and Priorities for the FY2016 CDRE Program**

- **Identify Agenda for CDRE Program**
- **New Priorities: are there other areas for focus?**
- **Region-Specific Considerations**

9:30 am – 10:00 am **Summarize and Vote on FY2016 Priorities and Research Agenda of the Emergency Citrus Disease Research and Extension Program**

- Agenda, Budget, Priorities
- Establish process for communicating recommendations to USDA and NIFA

10:00 am – 10:30 am **Discussion on Relevancy Review Process for SCRI/CDRE**

#### **PART VII: Other Recommendations/Future Programming**

10:30 am – 11:00 am **Discussion on Future Programs and Topics**  
*The CDS is also charged to provide USDA advice on citrus disease, extension, and development needs. In this session, the CDS will discuss potential recommendations and/or future programming to identify recommendations on citrus research, extension, and development needs.*

11:00 am – 11:15 am **Travel Procedures**  
*Shirley Morgan-Jordan, NAREEE Advisory Board*

11:15 am – 11:30 am **Public Comment**

11:30 am **Meeting Adjourns**