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**HIGHLIGHTS OF THE CITRUS DISEASE SUBCOMMITTEE (CDS)
MEETING**

Thursday, November 4, 2021
Virtual Meeting Via
Microsoft Teams

The Citrus Disease Subcommittee (CDS), a statutory subcommittee of the National Agricultural Research, Extension, Education, and Economics (NAREEE) Advisory Board, met in a public internet session on November 4, 2021, on Microsoft Teams. This November 4 meeting was in direct response to the three brief public virtual meetings held via Zoom on October 30, November, and November 13, 2020. The primary purpose of this meeting was for the CDS to provide consultation to the National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) on their Emergency Citrus Disease Research and Extension Program grants awarded in the previous fiscal year (FY) 2021 and to advise on the Program's priorities in FY22 prior to release of the Request for Pre-Applications.

SUMMARY OF PRESENTATIONS

The meeting consisted of seven presentations from various professionals in the citrus industry. The presenters were as follows: Dr. Lauren Diepenbrock, Dr. Manjul Dutt, Dr. Kranthi Mandadi, Dr. Danelle Seymour, Dr. Kirsten Pelz-Stelinski, Dr. Robert Shatters, Dr. Michelle Heck, Dr. Marco Pitino, and Dr. Ann Simon. Each presentation was 10-15 minutes in length and included a question-and-answer session. The presentation topics ranged from huanglongbing prevention in commercial groves, to non-Genetically Modified Organism tomatoes, and lastly Wolbachia.

BOARD BUSINESS

Ms. Kate Lewis, NAREEE Board Executive Director/Designated Federal Officer introduced the three new members on the CDS that were present, Mr. Christopher Boisseranc, Mr. Thomas Kirschner and Mr. Wayne Simmons. No public comments were made and the meeting attendees have up to 14 days to submit to any comments to the NAREEE Advisory Board Office for their comments to be included in the minutes.

ACTION ITEMS

Another meeting will be scheduled sometime in December, and the research priorities will be fully discussed and discussion on how to proceed. The award winners are to be posted November 5, 2021. All the PowerPoint slide presentations will be shared after the meeting.