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Kern/Tulare

GWSS Update



A project of the Glassy-winged Sharpshooter Task Force of Kern and Tulare Counties. Participants: Agricultural Commissioner Offices of Kern and Tulare Counties, California Department of Food and Agriculture, University of California-Cooperative Extension, U.S. Department of Agriculture (APHIS and ARS Divisions).

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GWSS project steering committee formed

A steering committee has been established in Kern County to ensure communication among all the GWSS Projects.

The steering committee considers policy issues surrounding the various Kern County projects: General Beale Pilot Project, Kern County Area Wide Project, Delano/Highway 65 Project.

The committee is made up of agency, task force and industry representatives. Listed below are the members of the steering committee:

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Issues that have come before the task force at the last few meetings are: Funding Priorities, Treatment Thresholds, PD Survey, Border Zone Treatment, SAP Recommendations, Communication, Tulare County Program Expansion.

Future issues will include: Expanding Tulare County Program, Developing 2003 Treatment Protocols, Securing Funding for 2003/2004, AB 2345 Implementation.

If you have issues or concerns, please discuss them with a member of the steering committee.

GWSS Task Force to meet Sept. 6

The GWSS Task Force of Kern and Tulare Counties will meet Friday, Sept. 6 at 1:30 p.m. at the Tulare County Agricultural Commissioner's Office in Tulare. The office is located at 4437 South Laspina St.

For more information, contact the Kern or Tulare Agricultural Commissioner's Office.

Kern County Pilot and Area Wide Management Projects

<u>CDFA Areas</u>	<u>Total Traps/Area</u>
HWY 65	1,644
Famoso-Porterville Hwy.	257
Famoso-Porterville Growers (Now CDFA)	323
General Beale	467
Wind Breaks	163
2854 Total Traps .25-mile grid	

<u>Kern County Areas</u>	<u>Total Traps/Area</u>
Northern Zone	938
Western Zone	803
Southern Zone A	339
Southern Zone B	549
Central Zone	415
2106 Total Traps .25-mile grid	

Kern County also has traps out using the State Protocols, which include:

Packing houses, wineries, riparian areas, commercial crops at 1/240 acres outside the management zones, and agricultural interfaces around towns such as Wasco and Shafter.

400 Total Traps using CDFA protocol

Kern County also has traps placed in urban areas. Currently, two trappers look after 640 traps. An additional trapper is in the training process, but will also place and service an additional 320 traps.

640 Total Traps in the Kern County urban areas at this time.

.25-mile grid	2,106
CDFA Protocol	400
Urban	640
3,146 Total Kern County Traps	