



FICMNEW – Open Meeting Agenda

31 January 2018, 1:00-2:30 PM ET

FICMNEW Monthly Meeting - Open (Public) Meeting

Date/Time: Jan 31, 2018, 2:30-4:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Call in information:

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Meeting facilitated by Terri Hogan

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1. Review/approval of **last meeting notes**; link distributed by listserv and at bottom of list, here:

(<https://my.usgs.gov/confluence/display/FICMNEW/Notes++Open+Meetings>) (All)

2. **Presentation: “The Status of Classical Biological Control of Weeds: One Step Forward and Two Steps Back”** by Robert M. Nowierski, National Program Leader for Bio-Based Pest Management, USDA - National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA), 800 9th St., S.W., Washington, DC 20024

Presentation Summary: Classical biological control of weeds will be discussed in the context of political, environmental, sociological and regulatory challenges.

3. **Advances in weed free seeds for PCA – standing agenda item** (All)

4. **New/emerging issues (e.g., Palmer amaranth in conservation seed mixes) – standing agenda item** (All)

5. **List of upcoming presentations at FICMNEW Open Meetings:**

- January 31, 2018 - Bob Nowierski (NIFA), “The Status of Classical Biological Control of Weeds: One Step Forward and Two Steps Back” – Confirmed
- February 28th talk: “The Permitting Process for Classical Biological Control of Weeds: The role of TAG, BAs, EAs, FONSI, and the Section 7 Consultation Process”. Speakers: Robert M. Nowierski, USDA-NIFA (the TAG Process); Bob Pfannenstiel, USDA-APHIS-PPQ (BAs, EAs, FONSI); and Jeff Herod, DOI-USFWS (the Section 7 Consultation Process) - Confirmed
- Rescheduling for Spring -Steve Popovich, BLM, Weed-Free Seed and Mulch (informs FICMNEW work plan element)
- Rescheduling for Spring (J. Jones and Ielmini will confirm speakers) - Tony Koop, USDA-APHIS-PPQ and Dean Pearson, USDA FS, Protocols for listing species as invasive (informs FICMNEW work plan element) - Terri will set up a call with Tony and Dean to discuss what FICMNEW wishes to get out of this joint presentation.

6. **Participants Roundtable** (All)

7. **Adjourn**

Next meeting: Wednesday, February 28, 2018, 2:30 - 4:00 pm ET - FICMNEW Public

Presentation ideas welcomed. Email terri_hogan@nps.gov or RNOWIERSKI@nifa.usda.gov