

Data management requirements continue to undergo development. The Agency has been capturing data collected by PPQ and some PPQ-funded agreements in the Integrated Plant Health Information System (IPHIS). The emphasis has been on PPQ domestic program pests with regulatory considerations. Given the complexities of the CAPS program, we are not yet at the point where all CAPS surveys can be fully incorporated into IPHIS. As such, all data generated from CAPS, Pest Detection, and Farm Bill surveys will be entered into NAPIS in 2014.

CAPS leadership is working with the IPHIS staff to assure full CAPS functionality will be provided in IPHIS. The CAPS program has communicated to the IPHIS team that the situation with IPHIS will be reviewed yearly, and a decision will be made as to future data management around October 1, of each year. If IPHIS cannot provide the requirements of the CAPS program, then NAPIS will be used for data entry. The CAPS community will be kept informed, via the NCC and other venues, as to progress with IPHIS.

This Appendix will contain more specific guidance on the use of IPHIS as it becomes available.

The IPHIS site can be accessed at: <https://iphis.aphis.usda.gov/>

An eAuthentication login is required. <http://www.eauth.egov.usda.gov/>