

The National Agricultural Pest Information System (NAPIS) is the final repository for all Pest Detection survey data. As such, all data generated from CAPS and Farm Bill surveys will be entered into NAPIS in 2015.

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 and nuances of the CAPS program, IPHIS cannot support the CAPS program at this time. We realize, however, that PPQ is using IPHIS for various administrative and/or programmatic reasons. For PPQ staff that use IPHIS for data management of Pest Detection-funded surveys, PPQ will continue to share Pest Detection survey data with the States as defined and agreed upon in the data sharing and responsibilities article in the General Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and the cooperative agreements between PPQ and the States. Article 6, entitled Data Sharing and Responsibilities, appears in both the General MOU and in each cooperative agreement.

Data management requirements and functions continue to undergo development. Improvements are being made in both IPHIS and NAPIS to support the regulatory and CAPS communities, respectively. These two systems were conceived and developed with two very different purposes in mind. At the present time, both systems are not connected or linked in any way. This likely will be the case for the foreseeable future. Regardless, the PDMT is committed to ensuring that program and cooperator needs are met. The CAPS community will be kept informed, via the NCC and other venues, as to progress regarding data management needs. For 2015, as stated above, the Pest Detection-CAPS program requires that NAPIS be the final repository of survey data.

This Appendix will contain more specific guidance as it becomes available.

NAPIS 3.0 will be available in April 2014.

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

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