

## Six Rivers Cisma Meeting Minutes

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### Welcome and Introductions

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### Updates

- The GCPEP program will transition from The Nature Conservancy to a new home. Current possibilities being discussed are transfer to another organizations (potentially The Longleaf Alliance) or becoming its own 501c3 non-profit organization.

### Funding

- Current DoD Legacy funding for organization and administration of the Cisma will end June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2010. The Cisma deliverables for this grant are a strategic plan and a steering committee.

- We have not heard back on the proposal for the FY 2011 DoD Legacy funding, which would begin July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010. With no set funding source, the CISMA needs to be creative about how to fund the program. All partners will have to examine what they could offer in terms of organizing and facilitating the CISMA.
  - o Choctawhatchee Basin Alliance and West Florida Regional Planning Council could potentially house CISMA related grants.
  - o If necessary, DOF could offer the time and space to hold annual CISMA meetings in order to maintain momentum.
  - o Support may be available through NRCS at the state level. Contact Greg Hendricks at 352-338-9500.
  - o Greg Jubinsky with FWC may be a good contact to discuss funding.

### **Strategic Plan:**

The members of the subcommittees reported on discussions concerning their respective goals. The subcommittees' recommendations for the strategic plan were discussed by the meeting participants, and the 5-year strategic plan was ratified.

### **Monitoring, Mapping and Applied Research**

- Ensuring data is collected in the same way across the CISMA is a priority
- Want to make sure data is compatible with EDDMapS and FNAI databases.
  - o Both databases are sharing info and currently communicating
  - o We will have a training on EDDMapS delivered to the CISMA by Karen Rawlins
- Move treatment related actions (1-F and 1-G) to Control

### **Prevention**

- Prevention and Outreach: How do they connect?
  - o Some of the goals overlap and should be simpler and consolidated
  - o The distribution of information (i.e. publications on cogongrass or "Don't plant a Pest" website) are valuable for prevention, but fall under Outreach goal.
- Delete "local" from D-4. Just stick with state ordinances.
  - o Santa Rosa has a law regarding kudzu encroaching onto neighbor property
- Need to id an Alabama extension agent to ensure they are kept in the loop
- Should we take out animals?
  - o Leave it due to hogs.
- Should we take out pests and pathogens?
  - o Leave it.
- How big of a threat is tropical soda apple to our area?

### **EDRR**

- Add the word "species" after "unknown" in 1-A-iv.
- Objective of "in 2010 inform CISMA partner of local and regional experts to aid in identification of unknown species" should be added to outreach.

**Control**

- Remove 1-C and 2-C. If the CISMA were to engage in these activities, it would be under prevention or outreach.

**Outreach, Training and Strategic Collaboration**

- Request to modify the Outreach section and submit it by e-mail. The meeting attendees agree.

The meeting participants ratify the 5-year strategic plan as discussed, contingent on the submission of the outreach section by the Outreach Subcommittee.

**Steering Committee:**

Dennis Teague, Mark Gibson, Craig Iverson, Brooke Saari, Laura Jolley and Justin Jones agreed to serve on the Steering Committee.

**CISMA Name:**

Meeting participants suggested and voted on a new name for the CISMA, now that Alabama counties are included. The group voted for the name "Six Rivers Cooperative Invasive Species Management Area."

**Cogongrass Cost-share Program:**

Craig Iverson announces a cost-share program for the treatment of cogon grass on private non-industrial property. Non-industrial means not publically traded companies. Contact county forester or reference DOF website for information. Craig will also forward information to Justin for distribution to the CISMA.

**Meeting Adjourned**