Plum Pox Virus

1. Modify executive summary to one page to follow recommended guideline.

   Add economic factors to paragraph 1- Value, acreage, etc. Crop value
   Simplify second paragraph: Remove second and third sentences of paragraph 2.
   Bullet 1: delete open clause to shorten
   Bullet 3: Do not focus on PA situation in bullets
   Reduce bullet 4 to shorten
   Change margins on bullets
   Focus bullets on National perspective for national PPV planning.
   Combine and reduce last two paragraphs – more concise.

2. Contributor list:

   a. Add additional USDA staff involved PPV eradication decision making to:
      Steve Poe, Leurene Levy, Russ Bullock, Ted Boratgnski,

   b. Expand contributor group to include representatives from stone fruit production states.


3. Research and Extension needs:

   a. Test US stonefruit and almond cultivars for susceptibility to PPV using laboratory testing in the US and field trials in Europe.

   b. Add Extension Priorities: Include commodity groups in educational research

4. Forensics:

   Develop a PPV forensic protocol and incorporate into PPV plan
   Example: could have been used in use recent Michigan detection

5. Mitigation and Management:

   a. Recommend removing homeowner trees immediately following establishment of quarantine.
b. If resistant trees are available, can resistant trees be planted immediately following tree removal in an eradication program

6. Are subject categories adequate

a. Reformat to conform to guidelines

b. Add a National Response category – Multiple management scenarios for different geographical regions of US. Different crop management strategies, different crop varieties, different economic scenarios (PA, SC, GA similar; Michigan heavy in cherry, California issues between almond and stone fruit industries).

c. Add USDA Pathogen Permit section- From Don Albright

d. Economic Impacts: Add projected National economic impacts on the national stone fruit industry.