

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.

c. Add Industry representatives to category of contributors: Industry Stakeholders for reviewing (commodity groups), Dept. Ag. Michigan and New York, Southern 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.