

# Agenda

## W3185: 2015 Annual Meeting, Chico Hot Springs October 26 – 28, 2015

### October 26<sup>th</sup>:

Arrival & Dinner – Individual arrangements

### October 27<sup>th</sup>:

Morning: Breakfast: Individual arrangements

Registration: 8 AM – 5 PM Knowles Room

**Speakers** please download presentations prior to start of meeting

Meeting commencing **08:30** (Knowles Room) - Coffee served

08:30: Welcome & introductions

### **W-3185 Updates:**

Dave Thompson: Project update & general comments

Lynn LeBeck: Reporting & other housekeeping

### **Agency updates:**

Robert Nowierski - USDA-NIFA. NIFA funding opportunities. 20 minutes

### **Morning Session (10 minute updates; 15 min presentations, 5 min questions)**

Time	Speaker	Title
9:20 – 9:40	Lincoln Smith – USDA-ARS-EBCL	EBCL project updates
9:40 – 10:00	Hariet Hinz – CABI Switzerland	CABI project updates
10:00 – 10:20	Break	
10:20 – 10:40	Massimo Cristofaro - BBCA	An overview of the field work performed by BBCA and cooperators in 2015 field season
10:40 – 11:00	Matthew Augé - BBCA	Long-terms field surveys and multi-task network: a new "Field Station-Sharing"
11:00 – 11:20	René Sforza - USDA-ARS-EBCL	The story of <i>Lepidapion argentatum</i> and French broom: Episode II
11:20 – 11:40	Rosemarie De Clerck-Floate Agriculture & Agri-Food Canada	Biological control of weeds in Canada Update
11:40 – 12:00	Sharlene Sing - USFS	Recent Developments in Toadflax Biocontrol

**Buffet lunch will be served in dining room- Chico soup & salad (roasted corn chowder, green salad & fresh baked bread).**

**Afternoon Session (10 minute updates; 15 min presentations, 5 min questions)**

Time	Speaker	Title
<b>Speakers please download presentations prior to start of meeting</b>		
1:10 - 1:20	Ted Evans - Utah State University	Biocontrol of leafy spurge in northern Utah
1:20 - 1:30	Ross Miller - University of Guam	Update of biocontrol in Guam
1:30 - 1:40	John Gaskin - USDA-ARS & Jeff Littlefield - MSU	Russian knapweed reproduction strategy
1:40 - 2:00	Ernest Delfosse - Michigan State University	Ecological factors that may mediate attack on non-target species by <i>Trissolcus japonicus</i> , a potential biological control agent for the brown marmorated stink bug.
2:00 - 2:10	David Morgan - California Department of Agriculture	Asian citrus psyllid biocontrol project
2:10 - 2:30	Alex Gaffke - Montana State University	Using Semiochemicals to Manipulate the Spatial Distribution of the Weed Biocontrol Agent <i>Diorhabda carinulata</i>
2:30 - 2:40	Mike Pitcairn - California Department of Agriculture	California Weed biocontrol project
2:40 - 3:00	G.V.P. Reddy - Montana State University	Biological control programs on orange wheat blossom midge and wireworms in Golden Triangle Areas of Montana
3:00 - 3:20	Break	
3:20 - 3:30	Carmen Blubaugh - Washington State University	Biodiversity/biocontrol relationships from the soil to the sky
3:30 - 3:40	Jason Schmidt - University of Georgia Coastal Plain Experiment Station	Project update on conservation of biocontrol agents projects in Georgia
3:40 - 3:50	Randa Jabbour - University of Wyoming	Biological control in seed and forage alfalfa
3:50 - 4:20	Norm Leppla, Daniel Solís, Michael Thomas, and Grace Jacob- University of Florida	Cost effectiveness of biological control: a 30-year effort on invasive mole crickets
4:20 - 4:30	Jim Nechols - Kansas State University	Exploring ways to make better use of experimental evaluation for agent selection in weed biological control programs, with special focus on plant-mediated herbivore interactions
4:30 - 5:00	Group discussion of selection of new target species, current issue in biological control, future directions to be considered for 2016 project revision.	

**Dinner - Group Reception and Dinner Knowles Room: 6:00 reception (no-host bar) Diner 7:00 (Garden greens, Italian herbed roasted red potatoes, Baron of beef & marinated chicken breast with lemon oil & Pernod sauce, mixed berry crisp).**

## **October 28th:**

Morning: Breakfast: Individual arrangements

Registration: 8 AM – Noon - Knowles Room

**Speakers** please download presentations prior to start of meeting

Meeting commencing **08:30** (Knowles Room) – coffee served

### **W-3185 Business meeting**

- **Member listing**
- **Web site**
- **Other business**
- **Chair elect**

**Dan Bean - Colorado Dept. Agriculture: 2016 meeting**

**Morning Session (10 minute updates; 15 min presentations, 5 min questions)**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Title</b>
9:10 – 9:20	Paul Brusven – Nez Perce BC Center	Nez Perce Biological Control Center
9:20 – 9:40	Justin Runyon - USFS	Will climate change impact weed biocontrol? Insights from plant-herbivore interactions
9:40 – 10:00	Peter McEvoy – Oregon State University	The contributions of ecological theory to biological control success
10:00 – 10:20	Eric Coombs – Oregon Department of Agriculture	Outbreak of purple loosestrife beetles in Portland, Oregon - unanticipated impacts
10:20 – 10:40	Break	
<b>Budgets, bureaucrats and bugs: the future of weed biological control</b>		
10:40 – 10:50	Arron Foster – WWP & Jeff Littlefield – MSU	Funding of biocontrol status of biocontrol consortia groups
10:50 – 11:00	Sharlene Sing - USFS	Perspective from a TAG member
11:00 – 11:20	Robert Nowierski - USDA-NIFA	USFWS Section 7 consultation
11:20 – 11:30	Peter Mason & Rosemarie De Clerck-Floate –AAFC	CFIA Regulatory procedures in Canada
11:30 – 12:00	General discussion	
12:00	Concluding remarks & announcements	

**Buffet lunch will be served in dining room**– Deli Sandwich buffet (a variety of meats & cheeses on herbed French rolls with chips)

**1:00 PM Montana Weed Association Biological Control of Weeds Fall Planning Meeting - Knowles Room, continuing until noon Oct 29<sup>th</sup>.**

## **MWCA Biological Weed Control Working Group**

Date: October 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>, 2015  
Time: 1pm – 6pm, 8am – 12ish  
Location: Chico Hot Springs  
163 Chico Rd  
Pray, MT 59065



## ***AGENDA***

### **INTRODUCTIONS AND OVERVIEW**

#### **WORKING GROUP BUSINESS:**

##### **NEW BUSINESS –**

- Foreign Research Partner Updates
- NAISMA and North American Bio Control consortia Summit Update
- W-3185 Meeting Update
- Agency/Organization Updates (round robin)
- Research Updates – 10-15 minute updates from researchers on projects they are currently working on. NOTE : If you have an agreement w/ BLM, please bring copies of any papers/publications your work has been a part of.
- Other New Business

##### **OLD BUSINESS –**

- Moving Forward with Rush Skeletonweed Biocontrol
- Review of Action Items from Spring Mtng.
  - o Strategic Plan
  - o Other
- Biological Control Coordination Project Update
  - o Accomplishments
  - o Funding Status
  - o What worked and what didn't in the 2015 season (round robin)
- 2016 Coordination Project Planning
  - o Explore/define workflow for interaction w/ Area Representation, Weed Districts and other partners
  - o Education Events, Insect Distribution, Research, and etc.
- Other Old Business

##### **IMPORTANT DATES –**

- **MWCA Annual Conference Jan 12-14 Great Falls, MT**
  - o **Biological Control Meeting Jan 12 from 10-noon**
- **MT Noxious Weed Trust Fund Hearings Feb. 29<sup>th</sup> – March 4<sup>th</sup> Helena, MT**