

NE 1601 - Multi-state Virtual Meeting on Eastern White Pine Health

December 8, 2020

Zoom Meeting (will be recorded for future viewing)

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Agenda

**1 pm: Introductions**

**1:10 pm: NE 1601 Multi-state Group Overview and Business Meeting**

1. Opening remarks
2. Minutes from 2019
3. Election of chair, chair-elect, and secretary
4. Review of activities since June 2019
  - a. 2019 Letter of Intent for USDA Sustainable Agricultural Systems program
  - b. 2020 (April) Proposal to USDA AFRI Sustainable Agroecosystems program
  - c. 2020 Proposal to USDA RREA funds (Cooperative Extension grant)
  - d. 2020 Proposal to USDA Forest Service Landscape Scale Restoration Funds

**1:30 to 3 pm: Discussion on components for SAS Letter of Intent (complete as much as possible before 3 pm).**

- Each topic will be reviewed
  - current status in the LOI.
  - Comments and updates will be requested
  - Volunteers agree to help with revising section in LOI.
- 1. Demonstration/research forest network – overview only
- 2. EWP & pathogenic fungi
- 3. EWP & insect pests
- 4. EWP physiology and remote sensing
- 5. Assessing white pine health
- 6. Studies on EWP communities including plants and wildlife

**Topics being scheduled for future discussions**

1. Demonstration/research forest network –
  - a. Design
  - b. Treatments
2. Extension and outreach activities including Eastern White Pine Management Institute
3. Field camps and curricula activities for university and grades 8-12 school students (4H)
4. Studies on economic opportunities for utilizing EWP