

U.S. EPA Tribal Pesticide Program Council (TPPC)
Full Council & Executive Committee Meetings
March 8-10, 2017
163TPP101
OVERALL EVALUATION

SUMMARY STATISTICS

- Number of evaluations handed out: 27; number returned: 18; return rate 66%.
- How would you rate this meeting? 4.44 out of 5.00.

WAS THE AGENDA FOR THIS MEETING ADEQUATE AND DID IT MEET YOUR EXPECTATIONS?

- Yes – the topics were very informative and I ALWAYS come away with a wealth of things that improve any program.
- Very well planned – just need to stay on time.
- Yes, still need to remove some topics to spend quality time on others for the agenda.
- The topics were adequate. Allotment for time was not.
- The agenda was a little full it seems, like we didn't finish each item.
- Yes very full agenda; would have liked to hear all of the planned speakers though.
- Yes, however, it was a full agenda. I would have liked to be able to finish presenting my PPT – but it's ok. I am pleased with the working groups – all leave knowing that we produced some tangible work. Enjoyed Kaci and PPT on NPIC – great resource and appreciative that resource is available to tribes.
- Yes, much appreciated presentation on risk communication techniques, bed bug presentations, and EPA strategic plans.
- NPIC information.
- The agenda was adequate and met my expectations. The agenda was kind of packed though. Seems that more time for discussions is needed.
- We need more time for agenda items. The (building) security was very rude.
- It was great! Loved hearing from people of EPA and getting questions answered pertaining to certain topic C and T risk assessment, etc.
- It was too much crammed in, especially the first day.
- Yes (4).

WHAT COULD THE TPPC MEETING PLANNERS HAVE DONE TO MAKE THIS MEETING MORE USEFUL TO YOU?

- They did great.
- Planning was superb. Implementation of agenda needs work, presentations were cut short due to questions not being held to end of presentation.
- I feel our planners are excellent.
- Nothing I can think of.
- I benefit from the breakout sessions. I would like the next meeting to include the same.
- Longer discussion time Q/A.
- Limiting questions to subject being discussed. Doing much better with moderating presentations, but there are still a lot of side tracked conversation/comments taking up valuable time allocated on the agenda.
- Make sure all the agenda items are all talked about. Don't skip any items. Some presenters didn't get to present ☹! Not good!!
- Great info, more time for breakout sessions.

- I hope that the Executive Committee will revisit the TPPC policies, especially regarding travel, and how to handle future requests for travel money from members when they miss part or all day of a meeting.
- Not have such a heavy loaded agenda, give more time for each topic to have great group discussions.
- Being new to TPPC – it was good to listen to the many topics and discussion and get to know what’s going on with the rest of the country.
- Liked very much, but need more regarding gathering.
- The conference call in was challenging but seems to be the norm for these situations. I don’t of our solutions unless EPA gets a better conference system.
- Public transportation schedule.
- I am concerned about members not showing up for a TPPC meeting and having their travel paid for. I believe that we come together specifically for the purpose of TPPC and no other agenda.

FOR FUTURE MEETINGS, PLEASE SUGGEST TOPICS/SPEAKERS WHO YOU FEEL COULD HELP IMPROVE THE AGENDA.

- Overview on pesticide grants for new comers – budget process, understanding negotiation, language, etc. Half-day to go to the Status of Pesticides in Indian Country Report at next meeting. More risk assessment – a webinar and in-person.
- Address issue of respectful listening and communication with others in a group setting.
- USFS and BLM regarding gathering, plants and spraying for insects, etc. in Public lands. USDA.
- In the future, I will have my federal credentials so the EPA speakers presenting will make more sense to me.
- Someone from water OPP.
- NASDA – how TPPC can tap into NASDA’s resources and what opportunities TPPC/tribes have to partner, e.g. assist in collecting tribal agricultural data collection, identifying IPM programs, and implementing WPS in Indian Country and C & T.
- The meeting was outstanding for networking and gathering information. Kaci Buhl was a Hit! She knocked it out of the park.
- Moderator Training, Columbia/Yale. Shawn Watts, swatts1@columbia.edu.
- Non-ag. pesticide use and issues would be helpful.
- More tribal presentations with tribal case studies.
- TPPC letter to Administrator. Review the Pollinator Protection TPPC Paper to be available for handout. Have bed bug paper available for handout.
- Review of MP3 template and progress.
- I was uncomfortable with how the risk assessment speaker was challenged by a tribal member. I appreciated EPA’s directness about where their risk assessments need more attention in addressing tribal exposures (eating of fish plus the gathering of food.)
- More agencies IHS/BIA involvement.
- Dr. Ed Spevak, St. Louis Zoo, to help us understand native bees/pollinator issues.
- Field trip to Museum archives in Washington D.C. to discuss pesticides and herbicide uses.

HOW WILL THIS MEETING STRENGTHEN YOUR CAPABILITY TO BETTER IMPLEMENT YOUR PROGRAM?

- The bed bug information and tool kit can be used easily within the community. The risk assessment discussion helped prompt other ways to look at the community and see how to correlate w/ what EPA is doing.
- We struggle with bed bugs and all the secondary and tertiary issues that accompany it. What I learned here will definitely give me some great tools to work with.
- Excellent information for the upcoming Region 6 pre-SFIREG meeting and Tribal Summit.

- As new to tribal work, this meeting provided an excellent primer and introduction to the issues surrounding tribal pesticide programs on individual, regional, and national levels.
- More resources and contacts.
- Good feedback to concern members.
- Being new, this meeting gave me many great ideas that other tribes are doing that I will definitely implement in my program.
- Understanding risk can help me to design protections for our tribe that EPA or states do not adequately provide.
- Identifying training needs for tribes and identifying gaps in their programs and facilitating partnerships.
- Learned a lot of items about management.
- Looking forward to reviewing and researching more on topics covered so that we can create a needs/use assessment for the Reservation.
- Some more information on non-ag. Pesticide issues.
- It was great! I especially liked Susannah Reese and what she had to offer about bed bugs.
- The meeting definitely provided me with information that will be useful to my pesticide programs and helping my community.
- What the pesticide program is.

PLEASE COMMENT ON THE CUSTOMER SERVICE PROVIDED BY UC DAVIS EXTENSION.

- Excellent.
- Excellent – they do a great job with TPPC – Suzanne works very hard for us. Appreciate everything!!
- Customer service was excellent.
- Service was very good.
- Superb.
- Thank you Suzanne!
- WELL DONE.
- Suzanne is the best! Very approachable and welcoming to a new guy like me. Kristy was very prompt and quick to registering and ticketing questions.
- Excellent! No comments.
- Great! I appreciate S. Forsyth's hard work and dedication and I feel that TPPC members should also take a small role in helping facilitate/moderate meetings. Everyone that is registered to attend TPPC and has travel paid for, UC Davis Ext. is responsible for it is important to be committed to attending the meeting as opposed to other functions.
- Great job by the UC Davis Extension! Thank you for all the hard work and time your group puts into hosting and planning along with the webinars.
- Not UCD Davis' fault, but the security was cumbersome and the tech., phones, microphones, etc. could have been better.
- Suzanne did a great job for time keeping and making sure items were taken care of.
- Great!
- Excellent – Thank you for taking care of all the meeting details – great job!
- Good thanks!
- Great!