#### P. ramorum PPA 7721 Survey 2022 Accomplishment Report Template

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State:	Louisiana
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Annual Accomplishment Report	

A. Write a brief narrative of work accomplished. Compare actual accomplishments to objectives established as indicated in the work plan. When the output can be quantified, a computation of cost per unit is required when useful.

The Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry (LDAF) entered into a Cooperative Agreement with the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA),

Animal Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), Plant Protection and Quarantine (PPQ) in 2022 to conduct a visual and water baiting survey for *Phytophthora ramorum*. LDAF conducted this survey according to survey guidelines set forth by the USDA APHIS PPQ in 2022. This PPA 7721 funded project executed by LDAF is strengthening its relationships with a statewide network of cooperators that are helping to identify exotic pest threats, determining and implementing the most effective means of preventing, detecting, and responding to new exotic pests. LDAF is also communicating risks and needs to land management personnel, relevant industries and the public.

LDAF's Agriculture and Environmental Science (AES) division is divided into 8 districts across the state and each district was utilized to conduct this survey. LDAF began this survey in the spring of 2022 and concluded this survey by November of 2022. LDAF inspectors have conducted 33 Sudden Oak Death (SOD) inspections in 2022 including 6 locations where an environmental survey was performed due to their previously positive status from 2004. There have been 74 tissue samples collected and submitted to Dr. Singh's lab at Louisiana State University (LSU). Eleven of the 74 tissue samples tested ELISA positive. DNA was extracted from the 11 ELISA positive samples using Dneasy Plant Mini Kits by Dr. Singh and then was forwarded to the University of Florida for further testing. All 11 ELISA positive samples were tested and found to be negative using the USDA APHIS PPQ real-time PCR protocol with all controls performing as expected.

The water baiting portion of our survey was conducted in November of 2022 when water temperatures decreased to between 46 and 71 degrees Fahrenheit. LDAF AES inspectors deployed baited traps at 5 of our larger nurseries that have retention ponds. Camellia leaves were allowed to set on the surface of the retention ponds for 10 consecutive days. Samples were submitted (including 6 control samples) to Dr. Singh at LSU for analysis. There were 46 samples submitted to the LSU lab resulting in 12 ELISA positives. Dr. Singh reported these samples all negative for *Phytophthora ramorum* through morphology of sporangia.

Outreach continues to be a major objective for the Sudden Oak Death Survey and is performed prior to every inspection. LDAF AES inspectors educate each nursery grower, nursery stock dealer or property owner about *Phytophthora ramorum* and the symptoms associated with this disease, thus increasing public awareness and communication of the threat posed.

Funding Amount	<b>Total Number of Sites</b>	Cost Per Unit
Proposed = \$20,000	Proposed = 30	Proposed= n/a
Actual = \$20,000	Actual = 33	Actual = n/a

### 1. Survey dates:

	Proposed	Actual
Survey Dates:	04/01/2022 to	04/01/2022 to
	12/31/2022	12/31/2022

# 2. Counties surveyed:

Number of Counties:	18
Counties:	Beauregard, Bossier, Caddo, Calcasieu, East Baton
	Rouge, Iberia, Jefferson, Lafayette, Lincoln, Orleans,
	Ouachita, Pointe Coupee, Rapides, St. Landry, St.
	Tammany, Tangipahoa, Washington, West Baton
	Rouge.

# 3. Survey Results:

A	В	С	D	E	F	G	Н	I
Split	Number	Number	Number	Number	Number	Number	Number	Number
surveys	of	of other	of	of	of soil	of soil	of plant	of plant
by	nurseries	sites	water	water	samples	samples	samples	samples
which	surveyed	surveyed	(Bait)	samples	tested	positive	tested	positive
calendar			samples	positive				
year			tested					
they								
occurred								
in								
CY15	32	0	44	0	0	0	105	0
CY16	32	0	44	0	0	0	85	0
CY17	32	0	46	0	0	0	68	0

CY18	36	0	46	0	0	0	52	0
CY19	32	0	46	0	0	0	104	0
CY20	35	0	0	0	0	0	708	1
CY21	32	0	45	0	0	0	60	0
CY22	33	0	46	0	0	0	74	0

#### 4. Database submissions:

All survey data was entered into the IPHIS database at the conclusion of the survey by Ann Weber (USDA APHIS PPQ, Officer in Charge, Baton Rouge Work Unit).

- B. If appropriate, explain why objectives were not met. All objectives were obtained for this survey.
- C. Where appropriate, explain any cost overruns or unobligated funds in excess of \$1,000.

The Sudden Oak Death Survey had cost overruns of \$851. This was a result of more than expected personnel, fringe benefits, travel and sample charges.