

### History

- Western Region IPM Center group formed Summer 2006
  - Several conference calls first Nov 06
  - Met in Portland Sep 24-25, 2007
- SRIPM working group proposed by Jim VanKirk in April, 2007
  - Met in Atlanta May 24-25





### History

- · NCIPM group
  - First conference call May 2008



- NERIPM group recently funded
  - Now recruiting members







### Northeastern Region School IPM Working Group

- · Plan to have a meeting in October
- New England Information Network (ProNewEngland) hosting meeting on May 19 to identify sIPM needs and opportunities
- This will give the NEIPM work group a jumpstart
- UMASS just completed a sIPM survey of New England schools that will be shared at the May meeting

### Northeastern Region School IPM Working Group

 Overall goal: Develop a working group that assists states in the NE to meet the National PMSP goal of IPM implementation in all schools by 2015





### Northeastern Region School IPM Working Group

#### Objectives and Anticipated Impact

- Organize a group of diverse and representative sIPM stakeholders in the NE US.
- Cooperate with sIPM efforts throughout the US to reduce duplication and facilitate sharing
- Serve as a multiplier of K-12 teaching and learning tools to improve Understanding of IPM
- Identify needs, opportunities and priorities for research, extension, education and implementation of sIPM in the NE
- Develop a focused working group project for 2009





## North Central Region School IPM Working Group

- First conference call May 2007
- · Initial group of 11 members
- Want to recruit representatives from all 12 states in the region
- Plan to meet in Aug in conjunction with Marc Lame's pilot project in Missouri





### North Central Region School IPM Working Group

- Members to include representatives from:
  - Structural
  - Parents
  - School administration
  - School operations
  - EPA regional reps (5,7, & 8)
  - Department of health
  - Extension personnel from MN, NE, IA, Wisc
  - SLA personnel from MI, MO, and IA





## Western Region School IPM Working Group

- · 2006
  - 15 contacts from 7 western states
- · 2007
  - 30 participants from 9 states
- · 2008
  - Added Hawai'i and New Mexico





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### New Objectives

Conference Call April, 2008

- Expand the WRIPM to include Hawai'i, Alaska, New Mexico and Idaho
- Expand assessment of sIPM programs and activities in newly included western states
- Conduct national assessment of sIPM implementation tools using eXtension website
- Identify regional and national networking opportunities and promote workgroup involvement on projects that involve awareness, implementation and assessment of sIPM
- Promote work group objectives, members, activities, and resource findings to a national audience.





#### Identification of Priority Goals and Regional Objectives

#### Research Priorities

- 1. Health issues and pesticides (connection between asthma, absenteeism, pests, and pesticide use) (21)
- 2. Cost of IPM in time and money (before and after comparison) (11)
- 3. Efficacy of reduced risk and pesticides (10)
- 4. Architectural design benefits (8)
- 5. IPM sustainability (why and how to make it sustainable) (6)
- 6. Academic performance (as related to pests and pesticides) (5)
- 7. How to market IPM (reduced jargon) (5)
- 8. Bed bugs (4)
- 9. Pest surveys in schools (follow-up) (4)
- 10. Policy options (local, state, federal) (3)



#### **Education Priorities**

- 1. Outreach and tools to stakeholders [working] in [or with the school system to
- 2. Drive demand for IPM (i.e., legislatures, superintendents, school staff, parents/PTOs, plumbers, roofers, carpenters, etc.) (26)
- 3. PCO training (to establish a standard such as technician certification) and
- 4. Outreach to the PCO organizations (15)
- 5. Incorporate sIPM as part of green building standards (e.g., Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design / Council of Educational Facility Planers) (14)
- 6. Broad public awareness campaign (P.S.A.) on risks associated with pesticides and what IPM is (13)





#### Barriers to IPM Implementation

- 1. Admin. and school board buy-in (18)
- 2. Lack of funding and support for university staff and school maintenance (14)
- 3. Time and resources for staff (11)
- 4. Lack of incentives to do IPM (10)
- 5. Poor RFPs (7)
- 6. For-profit business model to establish/reinforce that money can be made (6)





#### Pest Issues

- 1. Identification, biology, and behavior for all pests (1
- 2. Landscape and Turf weeds (13)
- 3. Health issues related to pest presence (consequences of not treating) (12)
- 4. Ant identification (odorous house, argentine, fire, and carpenter) (11)
- 5. Clarity: what are proper thresholds? (6)
- 6. Invasive weeds (4)
- 7. Mice and rats (4)

http://cals.arizona.edu/apmc/

- 8. Perceived pests (4) westernschoolIPM.html
- 9. Pigeons pest birds (4)
- 10. Bed bugs (3)





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# Composition of this group/where to we go from here

- · State Lead Agencies (ASPRO)
- · Other regional school IPM workgroups
- School representatives (Association of School Business Officials and National School Plant Management Association)
- Regional EPA representatives
- Industry





Identification of Priority Goals and Regional Objectives

#### Research

- Need efficacy data, with emphasis on low toxic approaches - 14
- Need study on total cost of IPM over the short term, mid term, and long term of inhouse versus outsourced PM service - 12
- Need research that investigates relationships among medical problems, pests and pesticide exposure - 11





#### Extension

- $\cdot$  One full-time paid staff per state devoted to IPM in schools 9
- Have information for PCOs packaged differently from that for parents and schools and administrators - 9
- · Professional marketing—need to get word out to general public 9
- · Regional publication system designed like the fire ants system 7
- Poster or laminated handouts for people in schools identifying pests.
   Need photos of all life stages and evidence. Needs to be hand-held, as in flip card. ID Guide 7
- See some mechanism for limited license holders—custodians that have IPM duties, where they could train. Peer to peer education with nontraditional pest managers - 5
- Collaborating as a group on peer review journal articles on what we know so the data is out there - 5
- Web site or clearinghouse where ALL of the pesticides used in schools can be viewed and has relative toxicity—have all in one place - 4





### Regulatory

 Special certification for school IPM for ALL pesticide applicators who apply at the school - 16





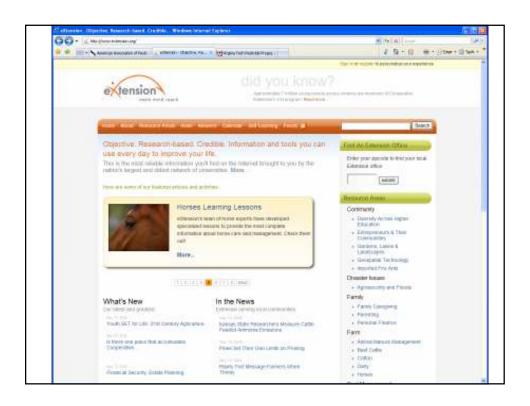
#### Mission Statement

The Southern Region School IPM Working Group is dedicated to promoting the use and adoption of School Integrated Pest Management by:

- Setting goals and priorities that minimize and balance risks of pests and pest management strategies
- · Collaborating and sharing resources with colleagues
- · Identifying and pursuing resources together
- Producing and presenting new resources that are economically acceptable and practical



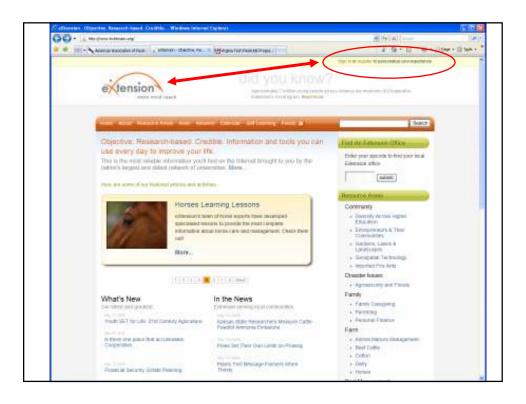


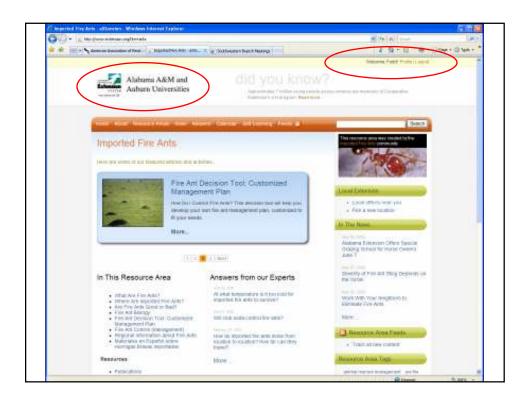




#### eXtension VISION

- Any time, any place format for any device
- Available to clients 24/7/365
- Increases visibility of CES
- Promotes collaborative development and reduces duplication
- National shared strength local customized focus







### Community of Practice (CoP)

A network of subject matter content providers

- faculty / county educators
- professionals
- government agency representation
- industry experts
- clients

who share knowledge or competence in a specific content area and are willing to work together to develop and share that knowledge through educational products and programs.



## There are now 21 CoPs

- 8 started in 2005
- 13 started in 2006
- Each CoP receives funding to organize their team and launch their site (up to \$75,000)
  - Some teams have been able to start without this funding





#### Resource Areas

#### Community

- · Diversity Across Higher Education
- Entrepreneurs & Their Communities
- · Gardens, Lawns & Landscapes
- Geospatial Technologies

#### Imported Fire Ants

#### Disaster Issues

· Agrosecurity And Floods

#### **Family**

- · Family Caregiving
- Parenting
- Personal Finance

#### **Farm**

- · Beef Cattle
- Cotton
- Dairy
- Horses
- Livestock And Poultry Environmental Learning Centers

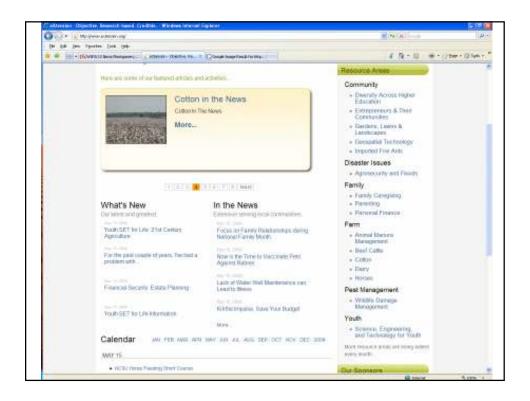
#### **Pest Management**

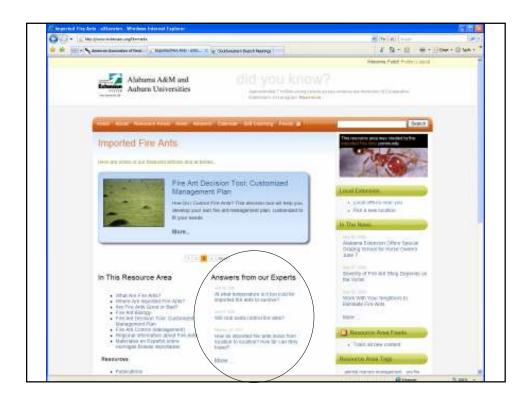
· Wildlife Damage Management

#### Youth

 Science, Engineering, And Technology For Youth

More resource areas are being added every month...





### Misc. Items

- Existing material
- Editing
- · New material
- Calendar
- · Post events in news
- Sponsors
- Credit from my institution
- Evolving



## Joining a CoP is as easy as

1. Go to people.extension.org and create an extension ID.



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- 2. Indicate which Communities of Practice you would like to join (e-mail sent to team leaders).



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- 3. Take a short Wiki training to learn how to contribute to the site.



## WIKI What?? or How do I figure this out?

- Breeze Technology On-line meeting
- · Conference Calls
- · On-line training by eXtension staff



## We are alike and all want the same thing

- Implement assessment programs to identify implementation status and prioritize needed improvements in individual school systems, e.g., IPM STAR.
- Establish highly visible demonstrations throughout the US.
- Develop a national school IPM coalition of stakeholder organizations to coordinate implementation of proven approaches nationwide.
- Partner with private pest management organizations, e.g., pest management professionals to create and implement effective and economical IPM service relationships.
- Create incentives for implementation, e.g., reduced liability costs, recognition and publicity.





## We are alike and all want the same thing

- Create structural and landscape maintenance IPM contract specifications for use by school purchasing agents.
- Increase funding for management, coordination, education, research and implementation.
- Activate environmental health and safety professionals by creating awareness of the need, potential and effective methodology for success.
- Establish appropriately trained IPM Coordinators in school systems.
- Establish efficient communication networks among stakeholders.
- Provide funding for school assessments including active participation by local actors including Extension.





#### We all want the same thing Verifiable IPM

- Control is based on pest biology
  - How does the insect behave?
  - What is the reproduction cycle?
- Inspection and monitoring results
  - No pests, no pesticide applications
- It is site specific
  - You don't have the same thing everywhere old buildings, new buildings, etc.
  - Location, Location, Location

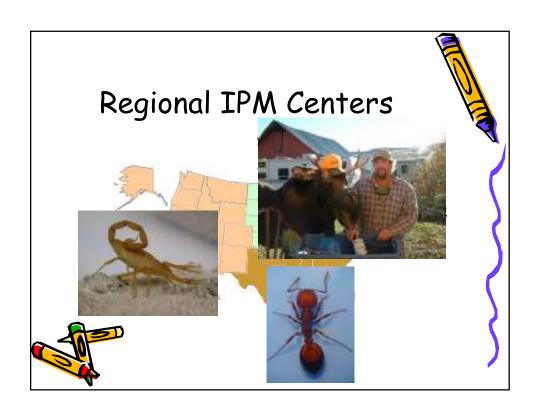




## Since we are so alike, we need to work together

- Increase funding opportunities by working within the framework of the National PMSP
- Promote regional cooperation within work groups
- Promote national cooperation between work groups





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