1st International Workshop on Weed Risk Assessment

Stamford Grand Adelaide Adelaide, South Australia, Australia 16-18 February 1999

Program

Tuesday 16th February 1999

8.15 am Registration

OVERVIEW

8.45 am Welcome and Opening

John Virtue and Peter Allen, Animal & Plant Control Commission SA, Australia

9.05 am Overview of issues raised in the Workshop discussion paper

Dane Panetta, Alan Fletcher Research Station, Australia

9.25 am"Invasive plant problems and requirements for weed risk assessment in the Galapagos Islands"

Alan Tye, Charles Darwin Research Station, Ecuador

9.45 am "Weed Risk Assessment and Prevention in Hawaii: Status and Practicalities"

Philip Thomas, University of Hawaii, USA

10.05 am Introduction to the workshop process

Rebecca Lang, Workshop Facilitator, Primary Industries and Resources South Australia

10.30 am Morning tea

INVASIVENESS

10.50 am "The search for patterns that make invasion prediction possible"

Sarah Reichard, University of Washington, USA

11.25 am "What tools do we have for the detection of invasive plant species?"

Marcel Rejmanek, University of California, USA

12.00 pm Introduction to the workgroups process.

12.15 pm Invasiveness Workgroups. Discussion on best practice / research needs

1.15 pm Lunch

2.00 pm Invasiveness Workgroups continued

IMPACTS

2.50 pm "Can the impacts of invasive species be predicted?"

Mark Williamson, University of York, UK

3.25 pm Afternoon tea and Impacts workgroups

5.00 pm Close

Wednesday 17th February 1999

8.30 am Debriefing on Tuesday's sessions. What are the burning issues emerging? (as a whole group).

DISTRIBUTION

9.45 am "A comparison of systems to predict weed distribution in Australia"

Darren Kriticos, Queensland Department of Environment and Heritage, Australia

10.20 am Morning tea

10.40 am Distribution Workgroups

PREDICTING WEEDINESS

12.10 pm "Weed Risk Assessment for Plant Introductions: Development and Implementation"

Paul Pheloung & Craig Walton, Australian Quarantine & Inspection Service, Australia

12.45 pm Lunch

1.30 pm "Weed initiated pest risk assessment in the united states: guidelines for qualitative assessments"

Polly Lehtonen, Animal & Plant Health Inspection Service, USA

1.50 pm "Assessing the risk to indigenous biota of new exotic plant taxa not yet in New Zealand"

Peter Williams, Landcare Research, New Zealand

2.10 pm "Evaluating pest screening procedures – insights from epidemiology and ecology"

Mark Lonsdale and Carey Smith, CSIRO Entomology / CRC for Weed Management Systems, Australia

2.45 pm Predicting Weediness Workgroups. Afternoon tea.

4.45 pm Debriefing

5.00 pm Close

Thursday 18th February 1999

8.30 am Debriefing on Wednesday's sessions. What issues keep re-emerging? How are they impeding us from moving

forward?

PRIORITISING WEEDS

9.30 am "Towards a system to determine the national significance of weeds in Australia"

John Virtue, Animal & Plant Control Commission SA, Australia

9.50 am "A weed risk assessment model for aquatic weeds in New Zealand"

Paul Champion, National Institute of Water and Atmospheric Research, New Zealand

10.10 am "Categorizing invasive weeds: the challenge of rating the pests we already have"

John Randall, The Nature Conservancy, USA

10.30 am Morning tea.

10.50 am "Prioritizing weed risks: using landscape context as a basis for indicators of functions, services and values"

Lisa Wainger, University of Maryland, USA

11.10 am "Scary species, superlative sites: assessing the risk of new weeds and weed control to New Zealand's

protected natural areas"

Susan Timmins, Department of Conservation, New Zealand

11.30 am Prioritising Weeds Workgroups

1.00 pm Lunch

FUTURE DIRECTIONS IN POLICY & RESEARCH

1.45 pm Small groups based on specific policy & research "burning" issues.

3.50 pm Afternoon tea. What decisions need to be made? What actions from here? (Whole group)

4.30 pm Short feedback - what are you taking home with you?

Thankyou.

5.00 Close