



2023 Regional Biosecurity Training for the U.S. Territories, Freely Associated States, and Kiribati

Guam, November 27th – December 1st, 2023

Pre-Border Track Agenda

Trainers:

Christopher Rosario – Guam Dept of Agriculture, Biosecurity Division, State Entomologist

Dr. James Simms – USDA APHIS PPQ Agriculture Quarantine Inspection (AQI) Veterinary Medical Officer (VMO)

Mary Beust – USDA APHIS PPQ, Supervisory PPQ Officer, Honolulu Plant Inspection Station

Alex Ching – USDA APHIS PPQ, Plant Health Safeguarding Specialist, Honolulu Plant Inspection Station

Matthew Goo – USDA APHIS PPQ, Area Identifier/Plant Pathologist, Honolulu Plant Inspection Station

Tyler Ito – USDA APHIS PPQ, Area Identifier/Entomologist, Honolulu Plant Inspection Station

Mark Towata – USDA APHIS PPQ, Area Identifier/Botanist, Honolulu Plant Inspection Station

William Cruz – Guam Customs & Quarantine Supervisor

Day 1: Monday, Nov. 27, 2023 – All Tracks together at the Hyatt Regency Main Ballroom

Pass out hardcopies or share QR code for Pre-Border/At Border Pre-Knowledge Questionnaire.

9:10-9:30	Arrival and Refreshments	Emcee Roland Quitugua
9:30-9:45	Welcome, Guam Director of Agriculture	Chelsa Muna-Brecht
9:45-10:00	Welcome, President, University of Guam	Anita Enriquez
10:00-10:20	Welcome Remarks, Governor	Governor Lou Leon Guerrero
10:20-10:40	Picture with Governor Lou Leon Guerrero	Alex Ching
10:40-10:55	Coffee Break	
10:55-11:05	Welcome from Organizers	Basil Ottley, Phil Andreozzi
11:05-11:20	The Importance of Biosecurity	Christy Martin
11:20-12:00	Territories Biosecurity Presentations (7 mins each)	

	• American Samoa • CNMI • Guam • USVI	
12:00-1:00	Working Lunch–Biosecurity Videos from Partner Organizations	
1:00-1:45	FAS and Kiribati Biosecurity Presentations (7 mins each) • Federated States of Micronesia • Republic of the Marshall Islands • Republic of Palau • Kiribati	
1:45-2:05	Terrestrial Biosecurity topics: Coconut Rhinoceros Beetle, Little Fire Ant, Brown Tree Snake, etc.	Roland Quitugua, Chris Rosario
2:05-2:25	Marine Biosecurity Pathway: Diseases such as Stony Coral Tissue Loss Disease (SCTLD), Ballast Water Management, Vessel Incidental Discharge Act (VIDA)	Christy Martin
2:25-2:45	Micronesia Regional Invasive Species Council (RISC)	John Wichep
2:45-3:05	Regional Biosecurity Plan for Micronesia and Hawai'i (RBP)	Roland Quitugua
3:05-3:50	Town Hall—High Priority Topics and Discussion	Basil Ottley
3:50-4:05	Wrap-up	Patty Baiao

Day 2: Tuesday, Nov. 28, 2023

7:45 – 8:00	Overview of day before (in Ballroom)	Andrea Blas
8:00 – 9:00	Authorities – local & federal	Chris Rosario/Mary Beust
9:00 - 10:00	Flow chart of Pre-Border/At Border	Chris Rosario
10:00 -10:15	<i>Tea Break</i>	
10:15 -12:00	Guam Biosecurity	Chris Rosario
12:00 – 1:00	Lunch break (1 hour) Biosecurity Crossword Puzzle Activity	Matt Goo
1:00 – 2:15	Transboundary Animal Diseases	Dr. James Simms

2:15-2:30 *Tea Break*

2:30 – 3:30 Transboundary Animal Diseases &
Inspecting for Animal Products Dr. James Simms

3:30 – 4:30 Regulated Garbage Dr. James Simms

4:30 – 4:45 Wrap-up

Tuesday evening event - 5:30 pm – Optional Group Social Event - Beach Bar, 96913 Gun Beach Road, Tamuning. Transportation/carpool, drinks, & food on your own.

Day 3: Wednesday, Nov. 29, 2023

7:45 – 8:00 Breakfast, Welcome, Recap of Previous Day (All in Main Ballroom) Roland Quitugua

8:00 – 9:00 Regulatory Decision-Making Mary Beust

9:00 – 10:00 ACIR Database Alex Ching

10:00-10:15 *Tea Break*

10:15 – 11:00 Inspection Best Practices Mary Beust/Alex Ching

11:00 – 1:00 *Lunch Break (2 hour)*
Brown Tree Snake, Coconut Rhinoceros Beetle Canine Dog Demos

1:00 – 2:00 Travel to Guam Plant Inspection Facility (PIF) – **share ride for out-of-towners/carpool**

2:00 – 4:30 Guam Chain of Custody &
Customs Inspection & Canine Demos Chris Rosario/William Cruz

Guam PIF can accommodate 60+ ppl split into smaller groups that rotate.

Smaller groups could rotate to see these activities at PIF (~ 30 mins/demo X # of groups):

- Guam Customs Dog demo (in PIF)
- Guam Ag CRB Dog demo (outside by shed)
- APHIS WS BTS Dog demo (outside by shed)
- Guam Customs agriculture shipment inspection (in PIF)

4:30 – 4:45 Wrap-up at PIF

Wednesday evening event – 5:30pm – Optional Group Social Event - Visit Night Market at Chamorro Village in Hagatna OR Brown Tree Snake Hunt at Two Lovers Point. Transportation/carpool, drinks, & food on your own.

Day 4: Thursday, Nov. 30, 2023

7:45 – 8:00	Breakfast, housekeeping, & Recap of previous day (All in Main Ballroom)	Andrea Blas
8:00 – 9:00	Pests and Pathways	Tyler Ito
9:00 – 10:00	Invasive Ants	Tyler Ito
<i>10:00 – 10:15 Tea break</i>		
10:15 – 11:00	Botany/ Hawaii CFR 318.13	Mark Towata
11:00 -12:00	Federal Noxious Weed/CITES	Mark Towata
<i>12:00 – 1:00 Lunch break (1 hour)</i>		
1:00 – 2:00	Introduction to Plant Pathology	Matt Goo
2:00 – 3:00	Plant Pathology – tabletop exercises	Matt Goo
<i>3:00 - 3:15 Break</i>		
3:15 – 4:00	Botany/Plant Path/Ento – • Field observations for pests outside the hotel.	All
4:00 - 4:30	Return to Main Ballroom - • Share field observations/collection. • Complete Post-Knowledge Eval Questionnaire; include comments on what they learned from training.	All
4:30-4:45	Wrap-up	
Collect completed Pre-Border/At Border Pre-Knowledge Questionnaire at the end of day.		

Thursday evening event – 5:30pm – Optional Group Social Event - Food Trucks at Skinner Plaza (across from Chamorro Village, Hagatna) or Caribou Brewery OR Brown Tree Snake Hunt at Two Lovers Point. Transportation/carpool, drinks, & food on your own.

Day 5: Friday, Dec. 1, 2023 – All Tracks together - 2nd Floor Ballroom

9:45-10:00	Breakfast, housekeeping and overview of previous day	Roland Quitugua
10:00-11:00	Policy, Pre-Border, Post-Border Tracks Reportout	Track Leads
11:00-11:50	Finalize Actions and Summaries	MJ Mazurek

11:50-1:00	Lunch–Working Session Discussion and Next Steps	
1:00-1:30	Workshop Evaluations by attendees	Andrea Blas
1:30-2:45	Closing Speakers	
2:45-3:00	Closing Remarks	Basil Ottley