Dear Sherri

This monthly email provides information about IR-4 program accomplishments, announcements, resources and upcoming events.

Food Use Program
In February, there were 19 new tolerances (5 for Isoxaben, 3 for Fomesafen, 11 for Rimsulfuron) with 174 total new uses. You can read the entire report here.

The complete 2018 Food Use Tentative/Scheduled Studies list (pdf) is available on the IR-4 website (click here). Also available on the website are a few remaining DRAFT residue and performance protocols (many have been finalized/signed) for review and final protocols after they've been signed (click here). Comments and suggested protocol revisions should be directed to the Study Director responsible for the study.

Dates and venue for the 2018 Food Use/Biopesticide Workshops are Sept. 19-21 at The Marriott St. Louis Grand in St. Louis, MO. Agendas, room information, etc., will be communicated in coming months via this monthly report and other announcements.

International Update
The 50th Session of Codex Committee on Pesticide Residues will be held at the Shangri-La Hotel Haikou, 256 Binhai Road, Xiuying District, Haikou, Hainan Province, 570311, P. R. China. The session will start Monday, 9 April and finish on Saturday, 14 April.

Ornamental Horticulture
Numbers through February
89% of the research has been received for 2015 projects
81% of the research has been received for 2016 projects
48% of the research has been received for 2017 projects

Research Summaries
During February, we finalized and posted 4 summaries: Bacterial Disease Efficacy, Dimethenamid Crop Safety,
## 2018 Research Activities

During February, we continued to refine protocols for the 2018 research season. The Regional Field Coordinators started contacting researchers about tentative plans. Please check the website for the most recent version of the protocols prior to starting experiments.

### APHIS Invasive Species Projects

In February, we held a meeting with APHIS to summarize research activities in the boxwood blight and downy mildew projects. Notes will be forthcoming.

### SCRI Protecting Pollinators

In February, we held a stakeholder-research meeting in St. Louis to present status on the various research objectives including pollinator attractiveness data from the 2017 field season, pollen and nectar residue trials, and the consumer willingness-to-pay in-lab survey with eye-tracking. Notes will be forthcoming.

We continued to add posts about pollinator literature and update the ongoing activities on the Protecting Pollinators website ([https://protectingbees.njaes.rutgers.edu/](https://protectingbees.njaes.rutgers.edu/)).

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