



The Role of ICLN, NPDN, RIPM and PIPE in NPDRS

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Homeland Security Presidential Directive - 9

- ...develop robust comprehensive, and fully coordinated surveillance and monitoring systems, ...for plant diseases...
- ...provides early detection and awareness of disease, pest or poison...
- ...establishes nationwide laboratory networks for food, veterinary, plant health, and water quality that integrate existing Federal and State laboratory resources, are interconnected, and utilize standardized diagnostic protocols and procedures...

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An Update on the Alphabet Soup

- ICLN = Integrated Consortium of Laboratory Networks
- NPDN = National Plant Diagnostic Network
- RIPM = Regional IPM Centers
- PIPE = Pest Information Platform for Education and Extension

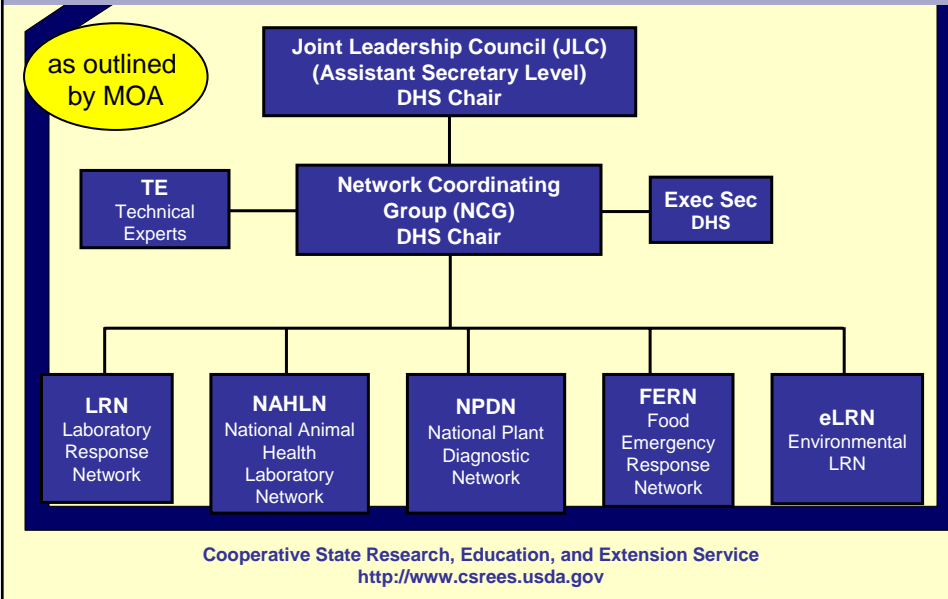
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ICLN History

- Homeland Security Council involvement began in November 2004
 - Gathered agencies involved, endorsed independent networks involvement, and recognized the benefits gained from creating a collaborative alliance.
- Vision: A U.S. homeland security infrastructure with a coordinated and operational system of laboratory networks that provide **timely, high quality, and interpretable results** for early detection and effective consequence management of acts of terrorism and other events requiring an integrated laboratory response.
- ICLN was established by a Memorandum of Agreement among ten Federal Departments/Agencies in June 2005.
 - Agriculture, Commerce, Defense, Energy (Pending), Health and Human Services, Homeland Security, Interior, Justice, State, Environmental Protection Agency

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ICLN Organizational Structure



Summary Assessment

Ca	Name	eLRN	FERN	LRN-	LRN-	NAHL	NPD
sa	CWA						
B	TIC						
C1	Bio – Non-Contagious						
C2	Bio – Contagious						
D	Food – Bio						
E	Food – Chemical						
F	Radiological						
G	Foreign Animal						
H	Disease Foreign Plant						
Disease							
Legend		Insufficient/Negligible capacity		Marginal capacity		Sufficient capacity	

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Application of network resources to other scenarios may be substantially different!



The NPDN



- Diagnostician participation in ring tests
- Laboratory assay training
- First detector programs
- Exercises
- Diagnostic lab infrastructure enhancement
- Diagnostic and data upload support
- Development of monitoring tools



NPDN DIAGNOSTICS SUBCOMMITTEE: Picture Clues and SOP

Picture Clues
for Plant Diagnostic Laboratories
Phakopsora pachyrhizi and *P. meibomia*

Commonly known as:
Soybean Rust

Host Range:
Soybean, Kudzu, yellow vetcher clover; many members of Fabaceae (bean) family

Symptoms:

- Early symptoms may be confused with bacterial pustules, brown spot and bacterial blight.
- Infected plants usually develop symptoms on their lower leaves.
- The plants usually experience a withering of the leaves followed by defoliation.
- Early examination of the plant may occur when the infection is severe.
- Lesions may be present on the leaves, petioles, pods, and stems (Figures 1-4).
- Lesions are typically round (2 to 5 mm) and the color may appear to be dark red-brown or tan, but grey-green lesions are possible (Figures 3 & 4).
- Plant lesions contain multiple distinct elongated pustules.
- Urediniospores (Figure 5) are released through a round ostiole on the underside and are found throughout the season.
- Late in the season the less common telia and teliospores may be found. They are waxy, dark and irregular. Teliospores will germinate and produce basidiospores in the fall.
- *Phakopsora pachyrhizi* and *P. meibomia* telia and teliospores are morphologically different. However, Real Time PCR must be used to determine the species. (United Soybean Board 2002; Miles et al. 2003; and Potts 2004)

Images:

NPDN
National Plant Diagnostic Network

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**Standard Operating Procedure for
Plant Diagnostic Laboratories**

Soybean Rust
Phakopsora pachyrhizi and *P. meibomia*

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Pest Information Platform for Education and Extension: Managing the Information Flow Via the Web

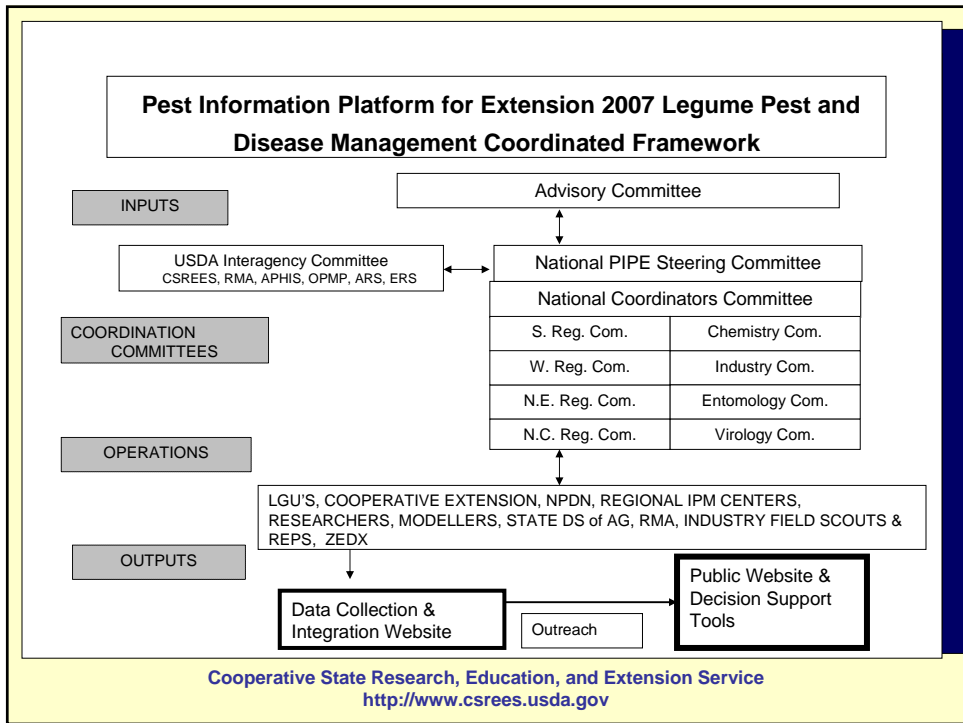
Overarching Goals:

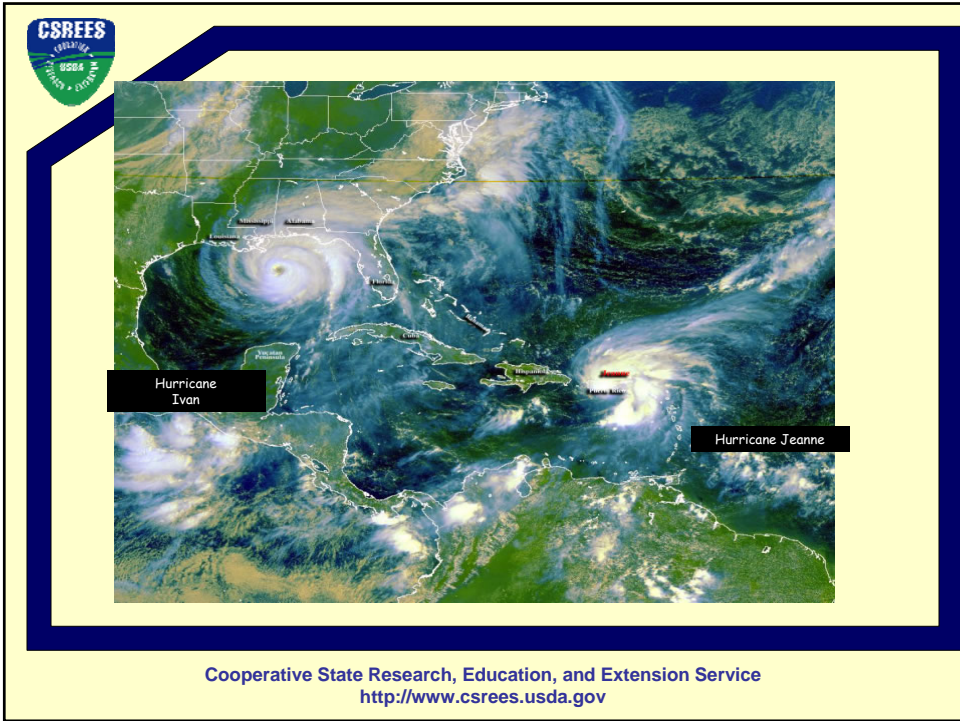
- Provide useful information to US soybean growers to foster good farming practices; which includes:
 - Avoiding unnecessary applications or applications that are earlier than necessary
 - Using the proper tactic with the proper timing to manage crop loss risk
 - Documenting practices for crop insurance purposes
- Provide a “one stop shopping” center for timely, unbiased, national, and local soybean rust information

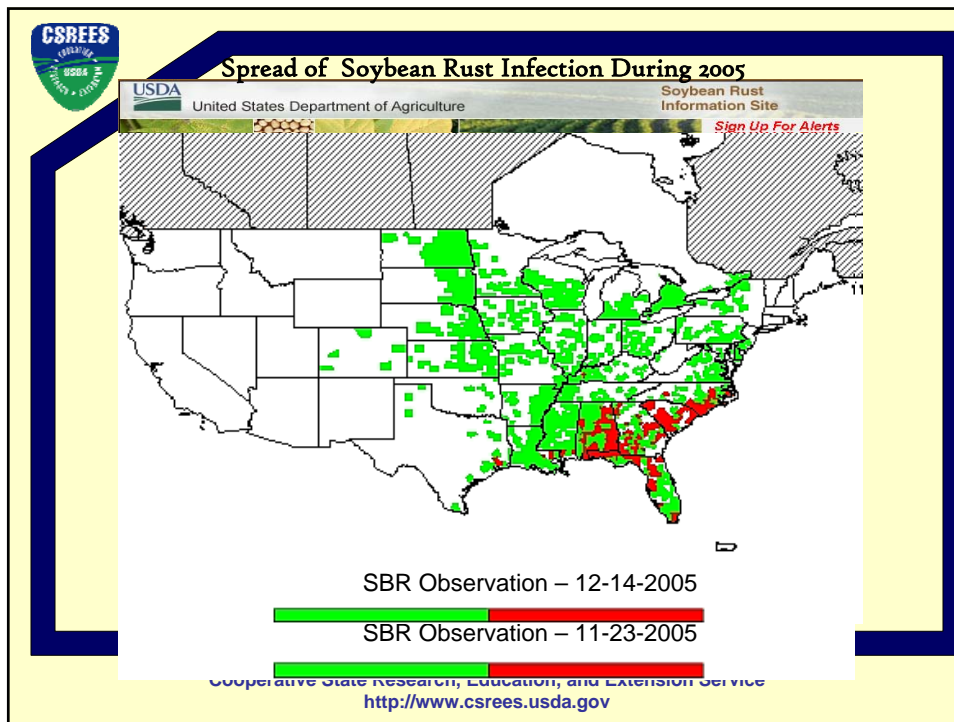
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Regional IPM Centers

- Established in 2000 to respond to pest management challenges with coordinated regional and national efforts
 - Provide regional infrastructure
 - Focal point for regional team-building efforts, communication networks, and stakeholder participation
- Four regions
 - North Central, Northeastern, Southern, Western
- Funding from Center grant ~ \$1 million per region annually
 - Competitively awarded every four years (next in FY 2007)

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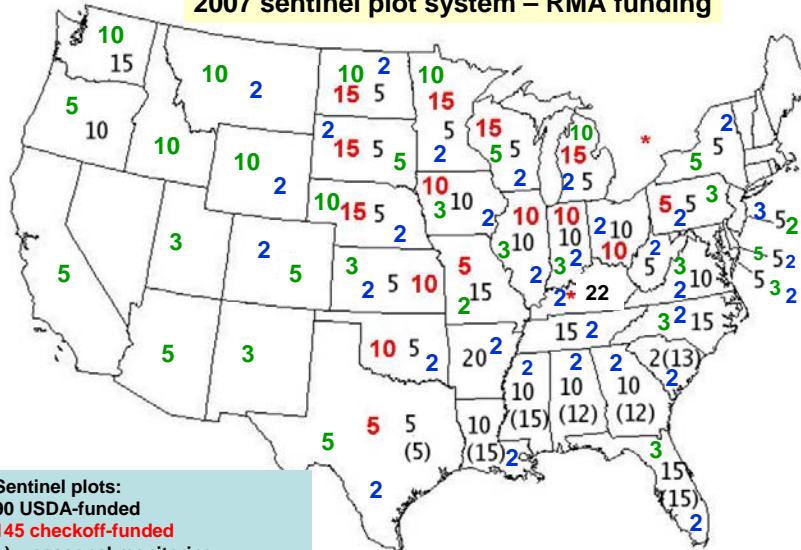
Potential expansion for PIPE tools

- Call for Concept Notes
 - Legume viruses and other pest/disease complexes
 - Sweet Corn lepidoptera
 - Barley head blight
- Other possible uses
 - Citrus diseases
 - Wheat stem rust and stripe rust
 - Any introduced or migratory pest including arthropods
 - Mapping function could be used for invasive and weedy species, as well.

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2007 sentinel plot system – RMA funding



Sentinel plots:
 90 USDA-funded
 145 checkoff-funded
 () = seasonal monitoring
 # = virus monitoring soybeans
 # = disease monitor legumes

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Where the programs fit into any recovery plan

- Detection: NPDN, PIPE
- Diagnosis: NPDN as a part of NPPLAP
- Forensic attribution: APHIS/FBI
- Monitoring: NPDN, RIPM, PIPE
- Mitigation, Control, & Recovery: RIPM/
PIPE
- National Integration: ICLN

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