

Federal Integrated Pest Management Coordinating Committee

US Department of Agriculture



What Organizations are Members of the FIPMCC and Who Chairs the FIPMCC?

- Agricultural Research Service
 - National Institutes of Food and Agriculture
 - Animal & Plant Health Inspection Service
 - Natural Resource Conservation Service
 - National Agricultural Statistics Service
 - Economic Research Service
 - Forest Service
 - Office of Pest Management Policy
 - Environmental Protection Agency
 - National Park Service
 - Bureau of Land Management
 - Fish & Wildlife Service
 - Department of Defense
 - Centers for Disease Control
 - Housing and Urban Development
 - General Services Administration
 - Agency for International Development
 - Smithsonian Gardens
 - *Other Organizations – IPM Centers
- Current Chair – David Epstein,
 - USDA, Office of Pest Management Policy (OPMP)
 - Past Chair – Harold Coble,
 - USDA, Office of Pest Management Policy (OPMP)
 - The FIPMCC meets quarterly to present and discuss IPM topics, and provide information exchange among federal agencies.

How Did the FIPMCC Begin?

- **The General Accounting Office (GAO) report “AGRICULTURAL PESTICIDES: Management Improvements Needed to Further Promote Integrated Pest Management” issued August, 2001, recommended that the Secretary of Agriculture establish effective department-wide leadership, coordination, and management for federally-funded IPM efforts.**
- **This recommendation was made after the GAO found that one of several impediments to the realization of IPM’s potential benefits was a serious leadership, coordination, and management deficiency within the Department.**

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- **In her response to the GAO report, Secretary of Agriculture Veneman indicated that the IPM program, since it is a multi-agency effort, would continue to be managed through her office working with all involved stakeholders.**
- **She further indicated that attention to the management of the IPM program would be given high priority as planning proceeds based on the GAO report recommendations.**

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- **In an effort to provide an infrastructure for appropriate management of the federal IPM program, the Secretary proposes the formation of the Federal Integrated Pest Management Coordinating Committee.**
- **The FIPMCC will be composed of representatives of all federal agencies with IPM research, implementation, or education programs, and may include other public and private sector participants as appropriate.**

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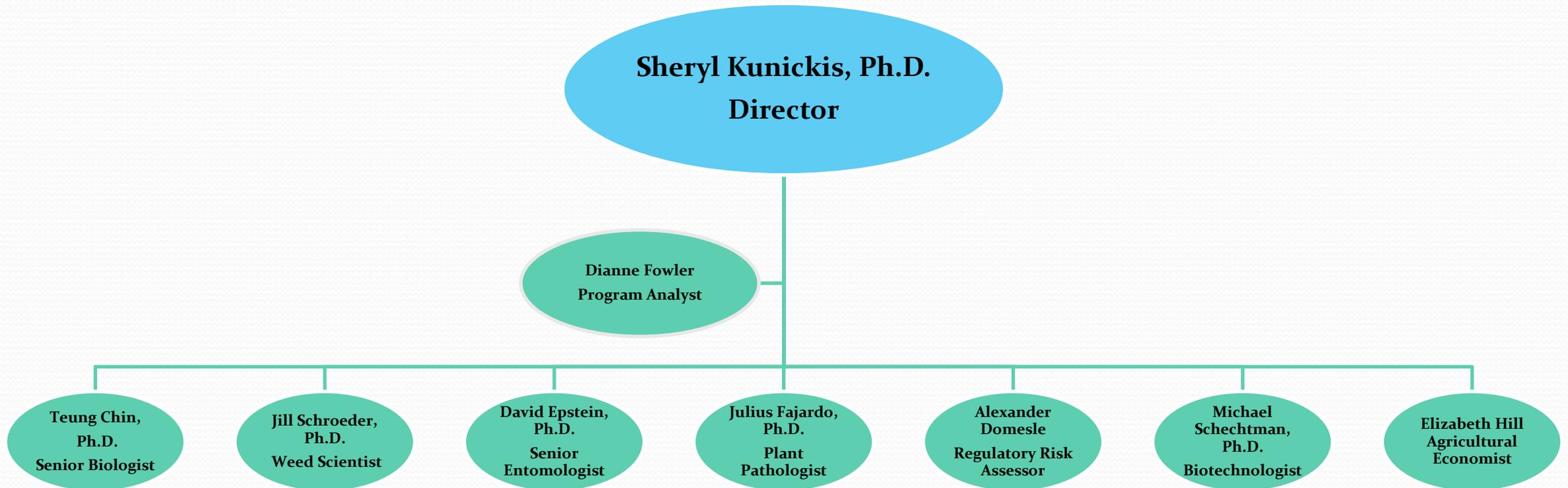
- **The function of the FIPMCC will be to provide interagency guidance on IPM policies, programs, and budgets.**
- **A key responsibility of the FIPMCC will be to provide strategic direction for the IPM program by:**
 - **(1) clearly defining, prioritizing, and articulating the goals of the federal IPM effort,**
 - **(2) making sure IPM efforts and resources are focused on the goals, and**
 - **(3) insuring that appropriate measurements toward progress in attaining the goals are in place.**
- **The FIPMCC will report to the Secretary of Agriculture through the USDA Office of Pest Management Policy.**

Office of Pest Management Policy, USDA

7 U.S. Code § 7653

- **The purpose of this section is to establish an Office of Pest Management Policy to provide for the effective coordination of agricultural policies and activities within the Department of Agriculture related to pesticides and of the development and use of pest management tools, while taking into account the effects of regulatory actions of other government agencies.**
- **In support of its responsibilities under subsection (b) of this section, the Office of Pest Management Policy shall provide leadership to ensure coordination of interagency activities with the Environmental Protection Agency, the Food and Drug Administration, and other Federal and State agencies.**
- **The Office of Pest Management Policy shall consult with agricultural producers that may be affected by pest management or pesticide-related activities or actions of the Department or other agencies as necessary in carrying out the Office's responsibilities under this section.**
- **The Office of Pest Management Policy shall be under the direction of a Director appointed by the Secretary, who shall report directly to the Secretary or a designee of the Secretary.**
- **OPMP Website: <https://www.ars.usda.gov/office-of-pest-management-policy/office-of-pest-management-policy-home-page/>**

OPMP: Organizational Structure



FIPMCC Issues

- **National Road Map for Integrated Pest Management, Oct 1, 2013**
- **The goal of the IPM Road Map is to increase nationwide communication and efficiency in IPM practices through information exchanges among federal and non-federal IPM practitioners and service providers including land managers, growers, structural pest managers, and public and wildlife health officials.**
 - **1) Production agriculture, 2) Natural resources & recreational environments, & 3) Residential and public areas**
- **The IPM Road Map is a living document that will evolve over time, being periodically updated as the science and strategy of IPM evolves, with continuous input from numerous IPM experts, practitioners, and stakeholders. (Initial version in 2004)**

FIPMCC Issues

- **Update on EPA's Certification and Training proposal**
- **Update on EPA Spray Drift Mitigation**
- **Requirements for the Worker Protection Standards to Federal Lands**
- **APHIS: current pink bollworm efforts in AZ; spotted wing Drosophila management; (Old world bollworm) detection in Puerto Rico and US borders**
- **Recently Released Pollinator Reports**
- **HUD Notice of Funding: Healthy Homes Technical Studies program**
- **Pesticide Safety Education Program and Dialogue**
- **IPM in Public Housing – StopPests.org**