

Technical Advisory Committee

Subject: Chilli Thrips Surveillance

1. Surveillance strategy:

Focus sampling most intensively, but not exclusively, on impacted commodities, with emphasis on high risk or suspected systems.

2. States in which surveillance is recommended:

Laboratories that will Analyze Thrips Collected by States or Public Research

<u>State</u>	<u>Laboratory</u>
CA	CA Dept. Food & Ag.
FL	FDACS
AL, AZ, GA, LA	To be determined.
MS, NC, SC, TX	

Recommended Parameters for

- Proportion of samples to be obtained from greenhouses: 60-80%
- Other: 20-40%

3. Identification of laboratories for sending samples

Labs endorsed/recommended by the TAC must agree to handle all samples and data in a specific manner if paid for with public funds. All participating labs names will be posted on the web and published.

- Contact information
- Addresses
- Charges
- Any other information the lab would consider appropriate.

4. Insist on uniform collection and reporting of data for all samples for which testing is funded with public moneys.

- Date collected
- Crop:
 - > ornamental greenhouse
 - > vegetable greenhouse
 - > ornamental outside or open structure
 - > cotton
 - > vegetable
- Location: at the very least we need State and county.
- Control history if possible:
 - > pesticides

> control or failure

Code all samples so that tests are conducted and data compiled with anonymity.

5. Confirm all positive finds of *Scirtothrips dorsalis* with analysis by a second lab and send to SEL?
6. Have TAC recommend standard pathway and normative time course for reporting data to NAPIS and then back to TAC.
7. **For privately funded samples (which would include those submitted by nurseries)** strongly encourage labs on the TAC recommended list to obtain permission, in writing, to submit findings to NAPIS. Data should include the same information as the public-funded samples.
 - Each lab could develop its own system for maintaining anonymity of “privately-funded” samples.
 - States will be informed of positive detections prior to NAPIS. The maximum required level of reporting will be to the county level unless permission is granted by the submitter.