An Areawide Biointensive Management Plan for Brown Marmorated Stink Bug (BMSB), *Halyomorpha halys* (Stål), to Reduce Impacts Throughout the Agro-Urban Interface















## Multi-State, Multi-Institution Effort

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## **Areawide Objectives**

- We propose to:
  - (1) implement biorational management of BMSB in key specialty and row crops;
  - (2) advance strategies for enhanced biological control of BMSB;
  - (3) assess impact of biointensive management on BMSB populations at a landscape scale;
  - (4) promote adoption and implementation of biointensive tactics for management of BMSB.
- Through these combined landscape-level approaches, suppression of BMSB populations can truly be achieved, reducing the ecological and environmental impacts of this devastating invasive species.



## **Areawide Timeline**

Objective	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020
Objective 1.					
Implement					
biorational					
management of					
BMSB in key					
specialty and row		→			
crops.					
Objective 2.					
Advance strategies					
for enhanced					
biological control of					
BMSB.					
Objective 3. Assess					
impact of					
biointensive					
management on					
BMSB populations at					
landscape.					
<b>Objective 4.</b>					
Adoption and					
implementation of					
biointensive tactics					
for management of					
BMSB.		→		┝━ ━━━ ━━━	
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Table 1. BMSB Areawide timeframe for completion for each objective and fiscal year.

# Objective 1.Implement biorational management in key specialty and row crops.

- 5 locations with 1 sq km Areawide and Companion sites.
- Targeting apple, peach and soybean as key crops.
- Implement monitoring tactics to make management decisions.
  - Explore sticky cards as replacement for pyramid traps in apple
  - Monitoring system for peach.
  - Promote adoption of existing soybean thresholds.
- Implement border-based management strategies.
  - Border sprays (integrated with threshold), attract and kill
- Develop a cross-crop management strategy
  - Highlight periods of risk and susceptibility
- Impact of management systems on non-targets and secondary pests

# Objective 2. Advance Strategies for Biological Control of BMSB

- 5 sites with 1 sq km Areawide and Companion sites.
- Targeting apple, peach and soybean as key crops.

- Conduct *Trissolcus japonicus* surveys
- Determine specific habitat/host preference for native and *T. japonicus* and interactions between them
- Measure impact of key biological control agents in Areawide and Companion sites
- Develop strategies for enhanced biological control at landscape scales.
  - Use of pheromones and kairomones, enhanced crop residue as overwintering shelters/harborage



# Objective 3. Assess impact of biointensive management at the landscape scale

- 5 sites with 1 sq km Areawide and Companion sites.
- Targeting apple, peach and soybean as key crops.
- Monitoring across landscape elements with standardized traps.
- Assess crop injury and changes in BMSB populations in Areawide and Companion sites.
- Model changes in BMSB spatial distribution patterns, phenology and density in Areawide and Companion sites.
- Refine individual-based model with additional inputs
- Measure impact of management systems on non-targets and secondary pests





Example site located in Smithsburg, MD



#### Preliminary mapping based on aerial imagery

### Smithsburg, MD



Structure/house Woodlot/windbreak Fruit trees Vegetable/field crops





*Companion (control) site will have a similar composition of land-use types* 

# Monitoring and Surveillance Programs for NZ





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- Pyramid traps and clear sticky cards on wooden posts.
- Monitoring Loading (1x, 5/50) and Surveillance Loading (4x, 20/200) loading.
- Trece and AgBio
- Twelve sites in WV, MD and VA.
- Season-long trap captures.

# Correlations Between Sticky Cards Baited With Trece High and Low



# Objective 4. Promote adoption and implementation of biointensive BMSB management tactics

- 5 sites with 1 sq km Areawide and Companion sites.
- Targeting apple, peach and soybean as key crops.
- Surveys will be used to develop outreach materials and to ultimately assess adoption
- Develop and deliver BMSB programs and educational materials for specialty and row crop growers.
- Develop and distribute BMSB programs and educational materials
  for homeowners and businesses
- Measure economic impact and develop a management strategy evaluation that evaluates the effectiveness of Areawide management

### Areawide Outcomes

