



...Promoting a harmonized, risk-based systems approach to nursery certification

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## Progress Producing Compliance Agreement Templates

August 21-23, 2012 the SANC Compliance Agreement sub-committee met in San Diego CA, hosted by Co-Chair Mike Colvin. A Compliance Agreement for Brown Garden Snail was drafted and work began on a draft for Japanese Beetle agreements.

With work on Boxwood Blight and these two additional programs now under their belts, the committee has decided to develop a "Mother" document to guide development of specific program agreements in future.

While in the San Diego area, the committee toured two plant production facilities. A plug production greenhouse and large tree nursery provided the members an opportunity to see how current compliance agreements for Brown Garden Snail distinguish between Snail-Free Facilities and Snail-Free Areas in production and shipping. Members also obtained a better understanding of what critical control points may occur in facilities and the range of size of product being produced.



In Attendance (left to right): Co-Chair Mike Colvin (CA), Dana Rhodes (PA), Amber Morris (CA), Tom Wessels (WA), Tyson Emery (FL), and Aurelio Posadas (NPB).  
Teleconnected: Sara Scally (ME) and Ken Rauscher (NPB-SANC).



Demonstration by CDFA's Top Dogs! These dogs are trained to find potential pest problems in packages. They visit Fed-Ex and UPS hubs early in the morning as parcels are sorted.