HIS Southern Chapter Hosts Multi-State SANC Exercise

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The Horticultural Inspection Society - Southern Chapter held its 2014 multistate inspection exercise at the Metrolina Greenhouse locations in South and North Carolina on June 3 & 4. Twenty-six inspectors from 10 states participated in this training session that included an update on SANC project activities, critical discussions with management at each of the locations, and tours of the growing facilities with a systems perspective. The session was designed for participants to gain a better understanding of SANC concepts and a comfort in sharing SANC information with others. The growers and inspectors raised questions about handling of non-compliance, individual state legislation requirements, and acceptance of the SANC program in all states. As the SANC pilot project moves forward, we expect more questions to arise even as we begin to answer others.

Brad Cavin of Clemson and Joy Goforth of NCDACS were HIS hosts at the South Carolina and North Carolina facilities respectively. Pictured above: Mark Yelanich, director of research at the Charlotte Metrolina facility, describes his product distribution and recording keeping processes to the HIS group.