



2010 National Meeting
Indianapolis, IN
July 25th – 29th, 2010



Marriott Indianapolis Downtown
350 West Maryland Street
Indianapolis, IN 46225
(317) 822- 3500

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

The Indiana Department of Natural Resources, the Central Plant Board, PPQ-IN, and the National Plant Board cordially invite you to attend and participate in the 2010 National Plant Board Meeting in Indianapolis, Indiana from **Sunday through Thursday July 25th through 29th, 2010**. Meeting dates for the General Session are **Monday to Thursday July 26th - 29th, 2010**. The **deadline** for returning registration forms is **Thursday June 24th, 2010**. See the draft agenda for the educational, informative program planned for safeguarding agriculture.

ACCOMMODATIONS

The meeting will be held at the **Marriott Indianapolis Downtown**, 350 West Maryland Street, Indianapolis, IN (317-822-3500). Guests must make their own reservations in one of the following ways: calling (800)-266-9432 and referencing the National Plant Board Meeting; using the direct link available on the NPB Website www.nationalplantboard.org/meetings; **OR** accessing the website provided by the hotel to make reservations for this meeting at https://resweb.passkey.com/Resweb.do?mode=welcome_ei_new&eventID=2499855.

The hotel room rate for the conference is **\$94.00**, plus current state and local taxes of **9%**. The reservation deadline is **June 24, 2010**. After this date, rooms not booked through the above conference reservation links will be released. At that point, rooms may be more expensive or unavailable. **PLEASE MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS IMMEDIATELY!!!** Reservations must be guaranteed with a major credit card. Individual reservations must be canceled at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to arrival date and cancellation number must be obtained by guest or a one night charge will be applied. Early departure fee of \$75.00 will apply to those attendees that may leave the conference early.

LOCATION

The Marriott Indianapolis Downtown is located just blocks from several attractions including: White River Canal and State Park, the Indianapolis Zoo, White River Botanical Gardens, The Eiteljorg Museum, The Indiana State Capital, Monument Circle and Museum, the Indianapolis Arts Museum and Gardens, The Indiana State Museum, The NCAA National Headquarters and Museum, Circle Center Mall, and several other venues. For more information on nearby attractions visit the following website: www.visitindiana.com. Downtown Indianapolis also has every type of restaurant and eatery that you can imagine <http://indianapolis.diningguide.com/d11dt.htm>.

MEETING REGISTRATION

Complete the registration form and return no later than **Thursday June 24th, 2010**. **Registration is \$450.00 if received by June 24th or \$500.00 after June 24th**. Guest registration is \$125. One-day attendance registration is available for \$150.00 and must be received before the conference begins. The Indiana Department of Natural Resources is in charge of the on-site logistics for the meeting and will be coordinating registration. Registration forms should be mailed or faxed to the Indiana Department of Natural Resources – Division of Entomology and Plant Pathology (information provided below). Checks should be made payable to “National Plant Board – Indiana”. Visa and MasterCard will be accepted with online, mailed, faxed, or on-site registrations. However a **2.9% transaction fee** will be administered for anyone registering with a credit card.

REGISTRATION MAILING ADDRESS:

IDNR – Division of Entomology and Plant Pathology
Attn: Phil Marshall – NPB
402 West Washington RM W290
Indianapolis, IN 46204

REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

317-232-4120 (office)
317-232-2649 (fax)

MEALS

Meals included with registration are:
Breakfast buffet – Monday
Continental breakfast – Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
Lunch – Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday***
Dinner – Tuesday*** and Wednesday

*** A choice of three different options will be offered for the banquet dinner on Tuesday, and for the field trip lunch on Wednesday. Please ensure that choices are clearly marked on the registration form.

TRANSPORTATION

Indianapolis International Airport is 20 minutes from the Marriott Indianapolis Downtown. Suggested transportation from the airport to the hotel is through Carey Limo Share Ride; advance reservations are highly recommended and can be made by contacting 1-800-888-INDY (4639). Rates are \$16.00 per person one way. Alternate ground transportation includes taxi which is approximately \$35.00 each way. Parking at the hotel is also available at a rate of \$21.00 per day for self parking. Parking vouchers can be picked up at the registration desk during the conference.

FIELD TRIP

Included in the registration is a field trip on Wednesday, July 28th. First stop will be Dow Agro Sciences where guests will receive a guided tour of the grounds and research facilities. Next stop is the Indianapolis Motor Speedway Hall of Fame Museum, where guests will be allowed to tour the museum and then tour the track where the Brickyard 400 and Indianapolis 500 are held annually. Last stop will be the Rock Bottom Brewery Restaurant for some Indiana barbeque, drinks and billiards. Tours of the brewery will be given for those guests that are interested.

EXHIBITS

Limited exhibit space will be available on a first come first serve basis. Please indicate your needs (table, electricity, etc.) on the Registration Form.

WEATHER AND ATTIRE

Average July temperature is 84 degrees Fahrenheit but it typically cools down to the low 70s at night. July also tends to be the wettest month of the year so afternoon and evening thunderstorms may occur. Dress is casual- so make sure to be comfortable.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

*National Plant Board: www.nationalplantboard.org/meetings/index.html#npb
NOTE: Please check this Website regularly for updates and additional information.

Field Trip Locations:

Dow Agro Sciences LLC: <http://www.dowagro.com/homepage/index.htm>
Indianapolis Motor Speedway: <http://www.indianapolismotorspeedway.com/facility/35210/>
Rock Bottom Brewery: <http://www.rockbottom.com/indianapolis-downtown>

We look forward to your attendance at our annual meeting!
Please contact us if you have any questions.

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