

# 2010 National Cooperative Agricultural Pest Survey (CAPS) Conference

December 1-3, 2010



**Kansas City Marriott Downtown  
200 West 12th Street  
Kansas City, Missouri 64105**



The CAPS community is invited to participate in the 2010 National Cooperative Agricultural Pest Survey (CAPS) Conference, to be held December 1 – 3, 2010, at the Kansas City Marriott Downtown in Kansas City, Missouri.

The focus of the Conference will be a working meeting to continue to develop the future and vision of the CAPS program. The implications and implementation of the 2008 Farm Bill for Pest Detection also will be a topic of the Conference. This meeting will give APHIS and its cooperators the opportunity to provide input on the direction of the CAPS program, network with counterparts from other States, and participate in discussions that will shape the future of the CAPS program.

The meeting will consist of presentations to the group as a whole on topics of importance, including outreach and data management, as well as smaller, concurrent, facilitated discussions sessions and on topics important to the CAPS program and community.

The expected outcome of the meeting is to develop a series of recommendations for making the CAPS program more efficient, effective, and responsive to the needs of the CAPS community.

Registration for the CAPS Conference can be made at the following link:

<https://web01.aphis.usda.gov/PPQ/EventRegistry/PPQEventRegistry.nsf>

Registration fee is \$165.00, and will be collected in cash only (no checks) upon check-in at the meeting site. Please register before **November 8, 2010**.

Hotel reservations at the Kansas City Marriott Downtown can be made at the following link:

[https://resweb.passkey.com/Resweb.do?mode=welcome\\_ei\\_new&eventID=2746949](https://resweb.passkey.com/Resweb.do?mode=welcome_ei_new&eventID=2746949)

or by calling the hotel directly at **1-800-266-9432** and reference National CAPS Meeting / USDA. The government rate is \$99.00 / night.

The deadline is **November 8, 2010** to obtain the group rate.

For reference, the hotel's website is:

<http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/mciddt-kansas-city-marriott-downtown/>

Questions regarding meeting registration or hotel reservations should be directed to Melonie Torillo at [Melonie.J.Torillo@aphis.usda.gov](mailto:Melonie.J.Torillo@aphis.usda.gov) or 301-734-6365.

Conference information can be found on the CAPS Resource and Collaborations site:

<http://caps.ceris.purdue.edu/>