

98th Annual Meeting

EASTERN PLANT BOARD



April 3-6, 2023

Hotel 1620

Plymouth, Massachusetts

Please Join Us for the 98th Eastern Plant Board Meeting!

You are cordially invited to attend the 2023 Eastern Plant Board meeting, to be held April 3-6th in Plymouth, Massachusetts. The Cooperative Agricultural Pest Survey and the Eastern Chapter of the Horticultural Inspection Society will once again be joining us in hosting concurrent meetings with their members.

Plymouth, known as America's Hometown, is home to Plymouth Rock and other historical sites, all of which will be within walking distance of the meeting.

Meeting Registration

Early registration will begin on February 6th and is \$425 per person if received by March 6th. Full registration after March 6th is \$500.

Single day registration is as follows:

- Tuesday, April 4th: \$250
- Wednesday, April 5th: \$300
- Thursday April 6th: \$200

Attendees may bring a guest for the reception, banquet, and field trip, at an additional cost of \$175 per guest.

Register by visiting: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2023-eastern-plant-board-plymouth-ma-tickets-511674691777>

Meeting Agenda

The meeting agenda can be found by visiting: <https://www.nationalplantboard.org/meetings1.html>

Accommodations

A block of rooms is available at the Hotel 1620 Plymouth Harbor, located at 180 Water Street ([Hotel 1620 Plymouth Harbor, Plymouth, United States of America - Lowest Rate Guaranteed! \(hotelsone.com\)](#)). The cost of the room is \$113/night without taxes. The meeting will be held in the hotel from Tuesday through Thursday (April 4-6) and the block of rooms is available Monday night through Wednesday night., with check out being Thursday morning. Should you wish to extend your stay, please contact us so that we can assist with the reservation.

To reserve a room, call 508-747-4900, Monday through Friday between the hours of 9:00AM and 5:00PM, and request the Group Code "Eastern Plant Board Group."

Hotel Reservations should be made no later than March 14, 2023.

Getting to Plymouth

Logan Airport in Boston, MA is the closest major airport, and is approximately 40 miles from the hotel, which is located just off of Route 3.

Parking and Amenities

There is plenty of free parking available at the hotel, and many restaurants and shops are within walking distance.

Speaker Presentation Requirements

Speakers are asked to provide a copy of your presentation prior to your assigned time. Each presentation should be provided to **Taryn LaScola-Miner** (taryn.lascola@mass.gov) prior to your arrival. At the very latest, your presentation should be provided to the moderator assigned to your speaker room on the morning of your presentation. Should you require any equipment other than the laptop and projector assigned to each room, please notify **Taryn LaScola-Miner** at least one week prior to the meeting.

Exhibits

Participants are invited to bring displays, posters, or distribution items to share with the group. Please notify **Taryn LaScola-Miner** (taryn.lascola@mass.gov) in advance.

Weather and Attire

April temperatures in Plymouth typically range from 40-60°F. The hotel is on the ocean so you may want to plan for it be windy as well.

Field Trip

There will be two tours for attendees to choose from:

- **USDA Otis Lab:**
<https://www.aphis.usda.gov/aphis/ourfocus/planthealth/ppq-program-overview/science-technology/forest-pest-methods-laboratory>
- **UMASS Cranberry Experiment Station:**
[Cranberry: The Cranberry Station | Center for Agriculture, Food, and the Environment at UMass Amherst](#)

Because there is limited space at each facility, you will be asked to select your top choice during the registration process, and field trip slots will be assigned on a first come, first served basis.

Guests

If you are bringing a guest, there will be many things for them to do in downtown Plymouth during the day. Information as to what is available will be provided when you check in.

Door Prizes

If you would like to donate a door prize representing your state or agency or a fun item to share, we will be collecting door prizes at the registration desk and will ask you to fill out a door prize form when you register.

Contact Information

For further information, contact **Taryn LaScola-Miner** by cell phone at (671) 828-3793 or by email at taryn.lascola@mass.gov