

# CALIFORNIA CITRUS NURSERY BOARD

## Research Committee Minutes of Meeting October 17, 2018

A conference call meeting of the California Citrus Nursery Board's Research Committee was called to order by Committee Chairman Don Dillon at 10:04 a.m. on Wednesday, October 17, 2018. Roll was taken showing a quorum was present with the following in attendance:

### Members

Tom Delfino  
Don Dillon  
Jose Lima

### Staff

JD Allen, Assistant Manager  
John Gilstrap, Manager

### Approval of Minutes

On a motion by Lima and a second by Delfino, the minutes of December 8, 2017 were approved with the following changes suggested by Delfino.

Pg. 1: "AP" was added in parenthesis after the first use of antimicrobial peptides.

Pg. 2: The word "on" was inserted after Vidalakis reported.

Pg. 3: The misspelling of Ramadugu was corrected.

### Public Comments

There were not any attendees representing the public present on the conference call.

### Research Priorities

The Committee reviewed the research priorities used for the 2018 RFP (Exhibit A) and took the following action.

**Committee Action 10-17-18-1** Delfino moved, with a second from Lima, to make the following changes. Priority #2 will now read: Methods and/or strategies to inhibit ACP/HLB infestation in and around citrus nurseries. Priority #3 will now read: Development and evaluation of HLB resistant varieties, *including development of accelerated evaluation methods for HLB resistance and fruit quality*. A new point will be added in position #5: *Develop labor saving systems or equipment applicable to citrus nurseries under protected environments*. 2018 priority #5 becomes #6 for 2019, and #6 becomes #7.

### **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY w/ NO ABSTENTIONS**

The complete 2019 research priorities are attached (Exhibit B).

**Future Meetings**

The Committee decided to meet again to review research proposals in conjunction with the tasting event at Lindcove on December 14, 2018.

Chairman Dillon asked Gilstrap to schedule a Board meeting on Wednesday December 19<sup>th</sup> in Visalia.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.



I, John Gilstrap, Manager of the California Citrus Nursery Board, do hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge, the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of a conference call meeting of the Citrus Nursery Board's Research Committee held on October 17, 2018.



John Gilstrap, Manager

## 2018 Research Priorities

1. Growing Citrus in screenhouses/greenhouses in containers.
  - Growing requirements including light, soil mixes, and nutrition.
  - New ways to control citrus pests & pre shipment treatments.
2. Methods and/or strategies to inhibit ACP infestation in and around nurseries.
3. Development and Evaluation of HLB resistant varieties.
4. New diagnostic methods and devices for citrus diseases.
5. Development of new scion and rootstock varieties.
  - Development of thornless variations of current varieties.
6. Best management practices to protect soil and water at California citrus nurseries.

## **2019 Research Priorities**

1. Growing Citrus in screenhouses/greenhouses in containers.
  - Growing requirements including light, soil mixes, and nutrition.
  - New ways to control citrus pests & pre shipment treatments.
2. Methods and/or strategies to inhibit ACP/HLB infestation in and around nurseries.
3. Development and Evaluation of HLB resistant varieties, including development of accelerated evaluation methods for HLB resistance and fruit quality.
4. New diagnostic methods and devices for citrus diseases.
5. Develop labor saving systems or equipment applicable to citrus nurseries under protected environments.
6. Development of new scion and rootstock varieties.
  - Development of thornless variations of current varieties.
7. Best management practices to protect soil and water at California citrus nurseries.