

AmericanHort Update: Pest Prevention and Nursery Certification

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Trivia Quiz:

Name a Donald who “is most famous for his semi-intelligible speech and his mischievous and temperamental personality”



Donald

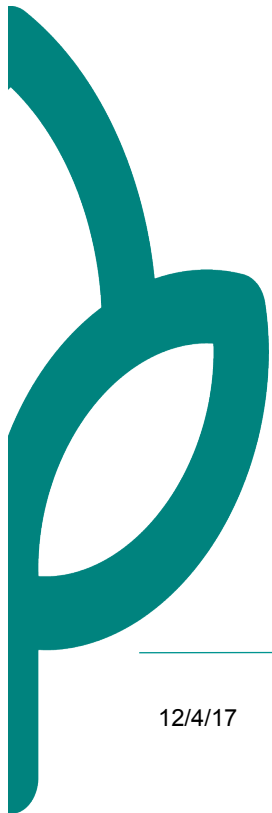


Donald



What's SANC All About?

- Shift from “end product inspection” to integrated measures for prevention
- Concept widely applied in food industry – **Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point**
- ***HACCP*** is a management system in which food safety is addressed through the analysis and control of biological, chemical, and physical hazards from raw material production, procurement and handling, to manufacturing, distribution and consumption of the finished product.



SANC...

- State-Federal-Industry Partnership
- Risk-based approach
- Voluntary, not for everyone
- Domestic commerce
- Now into “Phase 2” of pilot program





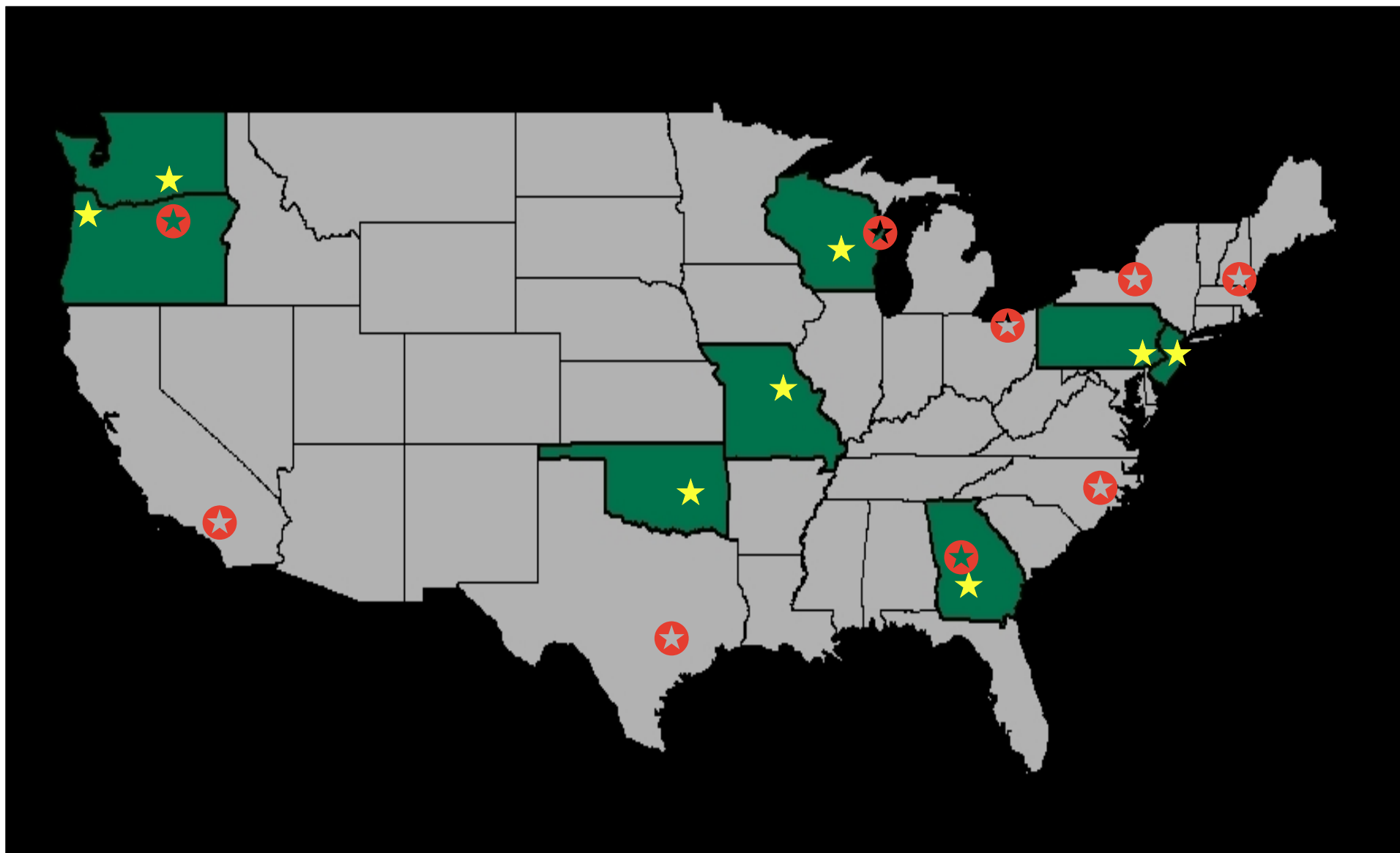
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Steps to implementing SANC

- **Risk Assessment**
 - Identifies hazards and mitigation strategies (BMPs) for hazards (risks)
- **Development of SANC Manual**
 - Formalizes and documents procedures
 - Pest Management Plan (BMPs and Scouting)
- **Approval of SANC Manual**
 - Ensures facility's plan meets SANC Standard
- **Implementation**
 - BMPs, recordkeeping, training, etc.
- **Oversight**
 - Ensures facility's plan is being implemented as described in SANC Manual



SANC Pilot Phase 1 ★ and Phase 2 ☆ Nursery/Greenhouse Operations



To Learn More

- Sanc.nationalplantboard.org
- SANC webinar series (more at AmericanHort.org)



Offshore Cuttings Cert Pilot



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Background

- Over a billion vegetative cuttings imported each year
- Generally admissible, low risk
- Key input to US production
- Highly perishable





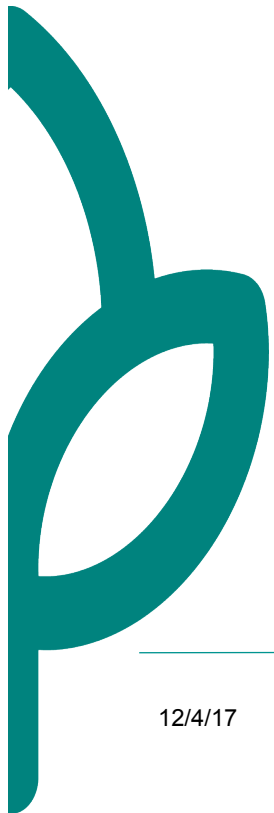
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FY 15 PLANT UNITS INSPECTED BY MONTH



Pilot Offshore Cert Program

- 4 leading vegetative cutting producers, 6 Latin American countries
- Meet or exceed minimum standards for ***facility design, production, sanitation, traceability***
- If successful, reduced inspection will mean faster clearance, better quality, fewer losses
- Pilot officially launched! (Oct. 1)



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