Evaluation of Cover Crop Practices

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Panel Organization – Category Survey

Categories: Area of Expertise Subgroups

1.) Academic: research and monitoring expertise

2.) Programmatic: federal and state programmatic implementation, tracking and reporting

3.) Modeling: modeling simulation expertise.

Panelist	Academic	Programmatic	Modeling
Andy Clark	X	X	
Barbara Elliott		X	
Charlie White	X		X
Chris Lawrence	X	X	
Dean Hively	X	X	
Patrick Bowen			
Jack Meisinger (Chair)	X		
Jamie Ulrich		X	
Jason Keppler		X	
Ken Staver	X		
Mark Goodson			
Paul Salon	X		
Quirine Ketterings	X		
Ray Weil	X		
Ron Hoover	X	X	
Rory Maguire			
Royden Powell			
Tim Sexton		X	X
Wade Thomason	X		

State of the Cover Crop Panel - Timeline & Action Items

Completed

- Panel and Chairperson selection
- Literature search
- First panel conference call

August, 2012

- Status update to AgWG
- Complete interviews and collection of program information
- First-draft of citations/abstracts for retrieved literature

September, 2012

- Complete & distribute Survey Interview Summary document
- Conference call to edit/approve Survey Summary
- Prepare Summary for reviews & approvals

September, 2012 (cont'd.)

- Webinar/briefing on how Bay Model describes cover crop practices and allocates credits
- ID cover crop practices that can be updated with current Model and those for next version of Model
- Determine need for subgroups, define sub-groups, ID subgroup leaders, & formulate specific subgroup topics
- Panel/subgroups researches practices

October-November, 2012

- Report Tier I draft recommendations to AgWG (focus on updating inputs to current model). Seek approval from AgWG on Tier I recommendations.

Long-term Timeline for Delivery

Late Fall, 2012

- Seek approval of Tier I recommendations from WTWG and WQGIT for implementation in the P5.3.2 CBP models

January, 2013

- Implement Tier I recommendations in the P5.3.2 CBP models for 2012 Annual Progress reporting
- Draft report to AgWG

2013-2015

- Continue to work on Tier 2 recommendations including "long term maintenance plan", future model updates (P6), and annual reporting requirements.
- Report Tier II recommendations to and seek approval from AgWG, WTWG, and WQGIT. Implement Tier II recommendations for P6 CBP models.