# Minutes of the First Meeting of the Great Plains Tree Pest Workshop Lincoln, Nebraska April 20-21, 1993

Tuesday, April 20, 1993

Judy Pasek (USFS-R2, Rapid City, S.D.) called the meeting to order and gave a brief summary of the events that lead to the formation of the workshop.

The workshop is being established to replace the Pest Management Task Force (PMTF) of the Great Plains Agricultural Council, Forestry Committee that was disbanded by the GPAC in 1990. The primary purpose of the workshop is to provide for exchange of information concerning forest pest management and tree health among Great Plains practitioners and researchers.

A draft constitution prepared by Judy Pasek, Mary Ellen Dix, Rich Dorset, Mark Harrell, and Robert Lavigne was proposed and ratified by those attending the meeting. The constitution addresses the purpose of the organization, membership requirements and privileges, officers and duties, committees, meetings, records, and how to amend the constitution (copies available from the Secretary-Treasurer).

Bill Jacobi (Colorado State University, Fort Collins, CO) was elected Chairperson and Carol Bell (USFS-R1, Missoula, MT) was elected Secretary-Treasurer. Judy Pasek was elected Past Chairperson. These three individuals comprise the Executive Board.

Brief organizational reports were heard from all attendees. A list of written reports available on request from the Secretary-Treasurer is enclosed.

Carol Bell gave a slide presentation on her work on pine tip moth species in the Northern Plains.

Updates on exotic insect pests- including the gypsy moth and pine shoot beetle- were given from all affected parties. Vicki Wohlers (Nebraska Department of Agriculture, Lincoln, NE) offered to put together a presentation for April 21 on the pine shoot beetle.

Bill Jacobi discussed some work he and his graduate students are conducting on screening elm hybrids and poplar for forest insect, disease, or drought resistance.

An initiative for trees damaged by the October freeze was discussed. A request for \$5,000,000 was made to Washington, D.C. for tree care, removal, and replacement throughout the Great Plains.

A list of action items the workshop should undertake was generated. Action items are: 1) write a summary of the meeting for the Inside Agroforestry Newsletter, 2) begin accumulating slides that portray herbicide damage on a variety of hosts, and 3) compile a list and information about important herbicide/host combinations. Judy Pasek will work on the summary for Inside Agroforestry. Mike Schomaker offered to be the coordinator of the herbicide damage slide project. Please send good slides to Mike (Colorado State Forest Service, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, CO 80523). Further work on herbicide/host info will be delayed until after slides are gathered.

# Business Meeting:

The next meeting will be held in Denver or Ft. Collins in the spring (March or April) of 1994, to be arranged by the Executive Board.

Les Pinkerton (State and Extension Forestry, Manhattan, KS) offered to host the 1995 meeting in Kansas.

Mailing list qualms were discussed. The current mailing list is primarily comprised of members of the former Pest Management Task Force and is somewhat limited. Current members should review the enclosed membership list and add names, addresses, and phone numbers of individuals who might be interested in receiving GPTP Workshop minutes and announcements. Also, persons currently on the mailing list who have not responded in some manner by August 1, 1993 to indicate interest in participating in the new GPTPW organization will be dropped from the list for receiving GPTPW minutes and announcements.

Meeting was adjourned for the day- Dinner together in town.

Wednesday, April 21:

Tom Wardle discussed the FIA inventory in the Great Plains this summer.

The need for a regional biocontrol project coordinated between agencies and other organizations was discussed. It was decided that a list of needs and priorities should be developed as a first step. Please send a list of needs and any suggestions for biocontrol work on trees in the Great Plains to Mary Ellen Dix (USDA Forest Service, Forestry Sciences Laboratory, East Campus, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Nebraska 68583-0822) by July 15, 1993.

Vicki Wholers gave a slide presentation and handed out the latest information on the pine shoot beetle.

Bill Jacobi adjourned the meeting by recognizing Judy Pasek and the .

Nebraska folks for organizing the workshop and its first meeting- Thank you!

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Bell, Secretary

May 17, 1993

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# PAPERS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

# GENERAL INFORMATION:

Constitution of the Great Plains Tree Pest Workshop (Workshop)

Pine Shoot Beetle Alert Fact Sheet (APHIS PPQ)

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Forest and Shade Tree Pathology Research Activities during 1991-92 and Planned for 1993 at Colorado State University (Bill Jacobi)

Rocky Mountain Region--Summary of Insects in Colorado, Kansas, Nebraska, South Dakota, Central and Eastern Wyoming (William H. Blunt)

### SUBMITTED REPORTS:

South Dakota Forest Insect and Disease 1992 Status Report (Rich Dorset)

Report to the Great Plains Tree Pest Workshop, Lincoln, NE (Mark Harrell)

Great Plains Tree Pest Workshop Kansas Insect Report (Les Pinkerton)

Rapid City Service Center, Forest Health Management USDA Forest Service, Rocky Mountain Region (R-2) Report to the Great Plains Tree Pest Workshop (Judith Pasek, Jenny Holah, Bill Schaupp)

Report to the Great Plains Tree Pest Workshop (USDA Forest Service Rocky Mountain Forest and Range Experiment Station Center for Semiarid Agroforestry)

Report for the Great Plains Tree Pest Workshop by the Plant Pathology Department, North Dakota State University (Jim Walla)

Nebraska Department of Agriculture Report to the Great Plains Tree Pest Workshop (Vicki Wohlers)

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# Dear Judy:

Life/work has been hectic since we met in Lincoln. Hopefully, you will receive this in time to send it with the minutes of the 1993 Great Plains Tree Pest Workshop. Here's my section to be added:

Mike Schomaker (Colorado State Forest Service, CSU, Fort Collins, CO 80523) volunteered to start and maintain a slide file of herbicide damage Great Plains woody plants. This will be a photo collection of many woody species damaged by a variety of known herbicides. Mike will compile a list of slides cross referenced by herbicide, tree species and location or type of damage. This list will be made available through the Great Plains Tree Pest Workshop. Copies of slides will be made and distributed to interested individuals or agencies for a minimal charge to cover costs of producing the slides and lists.

Mike's request at this time is, for individuals interested in seeing this service become a reality, to send him copies of herbicide damage slides or prints of slides they have taken. Send only copies with exact information about the herbicide used and the species affected. Mike will review all slides he receives and choose the best of those submitted for each herbicide and host. He may request use of an original from some of you to make a master duplicate for the finished slide file. This will assure good quality copies in the future. If you would like reimbursement for the Gost of copies, please let Mike know or send an invoice with the slides.

This project will not be successful without the help of cooperators throughout the Great Plains and beyond. Please let others know about this project and ask them to contribute too. We feel this slide file will be of

great benefit to educators, pathologists and entomologists throughout the Great Plains and other areas of the U.S.

If you or the secretary would like to add or delete information, feel free to do so. I hope this project works. I'll do the best I can to see that it works!

Sincerely,

Mike Schomaker

### TREE PEST GROUP REFORMED

by Judy Pasek, USFS Rapid City Service Center, Forest Health Management

The Great Plains Tree Pest Workshop (GPTPW) sprang to life on April 20 in Lincoln, Nebraska when the first meeting was held and a constitution was ratified. The need for a new, independent organization was recognized upon the dechartering of the Pest Management Task Force of the Great Plains Agricultural Council, Forestry Committee. The primary purpose of the GPTPW is to provide for exchange of information concerning forest pest management and tree health among Great Plains practitioners and researchers.

The day and a half meeting drew 20 attendees from 6 states. Participants provided information on various pest problems, projects, research, and concerns encountered or on-going in their respective areas. Specific topics included presentations or discussions of pine tip moth impact and distribution in northwestern South Dakota, updates on exotic pest situations (gypsy moth, Japanese beetle, and pine shoot beetle), research on screening of elm hybrids and poplar for insect, disease, or drought resistance, Forest Inventory and Analysis survey plans for ND, SD, NE and KS, and creation of a regional biological control project.

Items identified for further action included: 1) accumulating a slide set that portrays herbicide damage to a variety of tree and shrub hosts, 2) compiling a list and information about important herbicide/host combinations, 3) developing a list of needs and priorities for biocontrol work on trees in the Great Plains, and 4) updating an organizational mailing list.

If you would like to be added to the GPTPW mailing list and receive meeting minutes and announcements, please send your name, address, and phone number to: Carol Bell, USDA Forest Service, Northern Region, P.O. Box 7669, Missoula, MT 59801. Questions pertaining to the GPTPW organization can be directed to Executive Board members: Dr. Judy Pasek, Past Chairperson (USFS, Rapid City, SD; 605-394-1960), Dr. Bill Jacobi, Chairperson (Colo. St. Univ.; 303-491-6927), or Ms. Carol Bell, Secretary/Treasurer (USFS, Missoula, MT; 406-329-3428). The next meeting is being planned for spring 1994 in Colorado.

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