Building Through Partnerships

**IPM Florida** provides statewide, interdisciplinary and interunit coordination and assistance in integrated pest management to protect agriculture, communities and the environment.

**IPM Florida** strives to improve partnerships, increase synergy and improve opportunities and program recognition for these seven areas of emphasis.

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**Deciduous and Small Fruits**

High-bush Blueberry IPM

Effective means are being developed to control pests on blueberries, including practical monitoring and reduced-risk insecticides that conserve key natural enemies while suppressing the pest.

Projects and Partners
- UF/IFAS Fruit and Vegetable Laboratory
- Florida Strawberry Growers Association
- Florida Blueberry Growers Association
- Florida Grape Growers Association
- Association of Natural Bio-control Producers

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**Citrus**

Citrus Grover’s IPM Guide

Citrus IPM specialists are developing a practical synthesis of resources that will enable producers to customize their pest and disease prevention and management programs.

Projects and Partners
- Citrus Grover’s IPM Guide
- Florida Legislative Proposal on Organic Production
- Insect and Disease IPM Research
- Florida Fruit and Vegetable Association
- Florida Citrus and Vegetable Magazine
- USDA-ARS-USHL

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**Pasture and Forage Crops**

Mole Cricket Statewide Program

Allen invasive mole crickets are becoming controlled in pastures, golf courses, turf farms and urban landscapes. Two or three natural enemies, depending on location, are released to suppress mole crickets to non-pest status.

Projects and Partners
- Pasture and Forage Crops
- Mole Cricket Biological Control
- Insect and Weed Control
- Pasture Restoration
- Florida Cattlemen’s Association
- FDACS, USDA, NRCS
- University of Puerto Rico

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**Ornamentals and Turf**

Scout Training

Extension agents have initiated ornamental and landscape IPM scout training programs for several locations in Florida. This periodic training includes educational materials and landscape evaluation methods.

Projects and Partners
- Nursery Scout Training
- Eco-Labeling of Woody Ornamentals
- Orchard Pest Management
- Southern Plant Diagnostic Network — Pest Alerts
- Florida Nurserymen’s Growers’ and Landscape Association
- IR-4, Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, DPI

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**Vegetables**

Tomato and Pepper Growers’ IPM Guide

Experts in Extension and research are developing a comprehensive guide based on IPM principles that emphasizes pest prevention and up-front planning to reduce risks and costs. Growers will have complete information on a full range of options for pest management to design their individual IPM plans.

Projects and Partners
- Grower’s IPM Guide for Florida Tomato and Pepper Production
- Pesticide-Free Greenhouse Project
- Biological Control of Whiteflies
- Pepper Variety Trial
- Florida Farm Bureau, Glades Crop Care
- FAMU Center for Biological Control
- UF Center for Organic and Sustainable Agriculture
- USDA-ARS-CAVE
- Crop Data Management Systems — ChemSearch

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**Watersheds and River Basins**

Aquatic Weed Education Program

Stewardship of lakes and waterways, including shoreline restoration through public awareness and multi-county Extension education, is improving as citizens help prevent the reintroduction of aquatic weeds.

Projects and Partners
- Biological Control of Alien Invasive Weeds
- Alien Invasive Insect Prevention and Control
- DOT, USDA, FDACS, DNR
- Florida Water Management Districts
- UF Center for Aquatic and Invasive Plants
- Exotic Pest Plant Council
- International Organization for Biological Control, AMROC

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