



**BERKS COUNTY
CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

Piper Sherburne
Board of Directors, Chair

Conserving Natural Resources for Our Future

Governor's Invasive Species Council

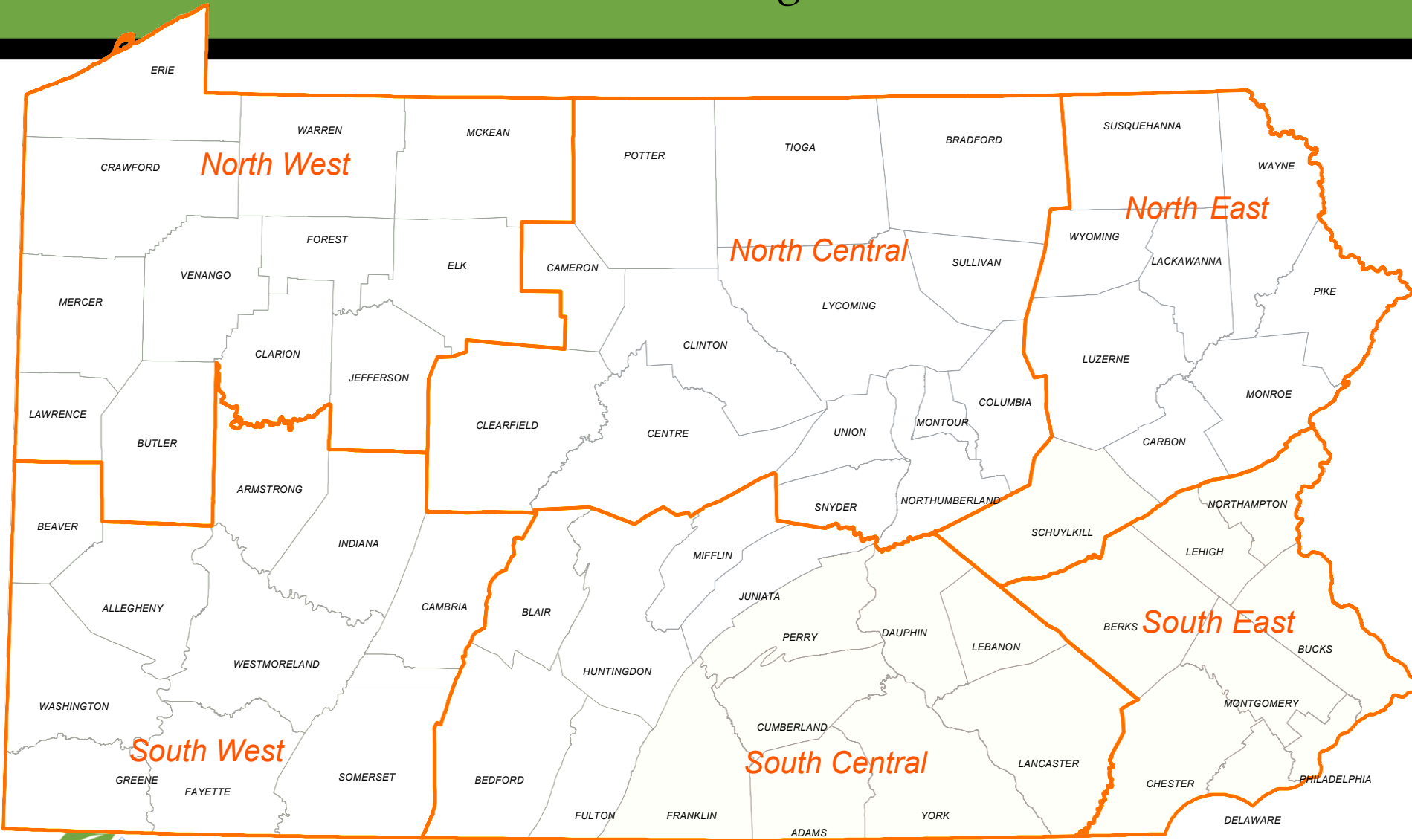
CISMA WORKGROUP-

Motion:

That the workgroup further investigate the feasibility of CD Regions facilitating formation of CISMA's. Andy Ernst, second Piper



PACD Regions



PACD Regional Meeting schedule

- March 24 – Southcentral Region
- March 26 – Northcentral Region
- March 31 – Southwest Region
- April 3 – Northeast Region
- April 22 – Northwest Region
- April 30 – Southeast Region



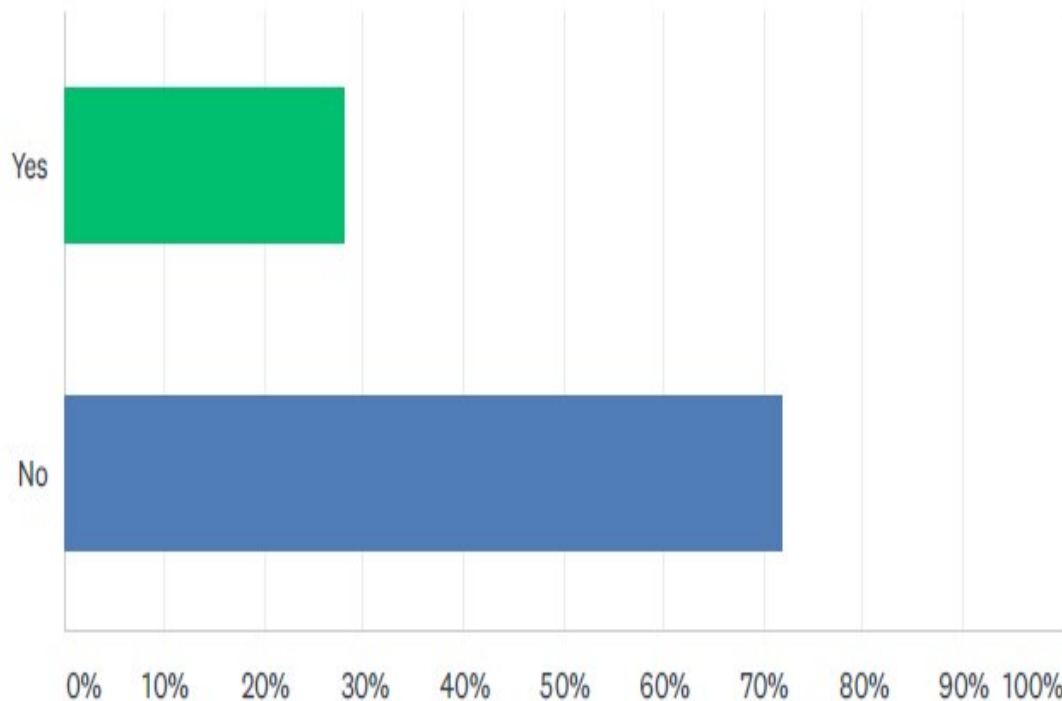
Invasive Species Conservation District Survey

Summary of Results

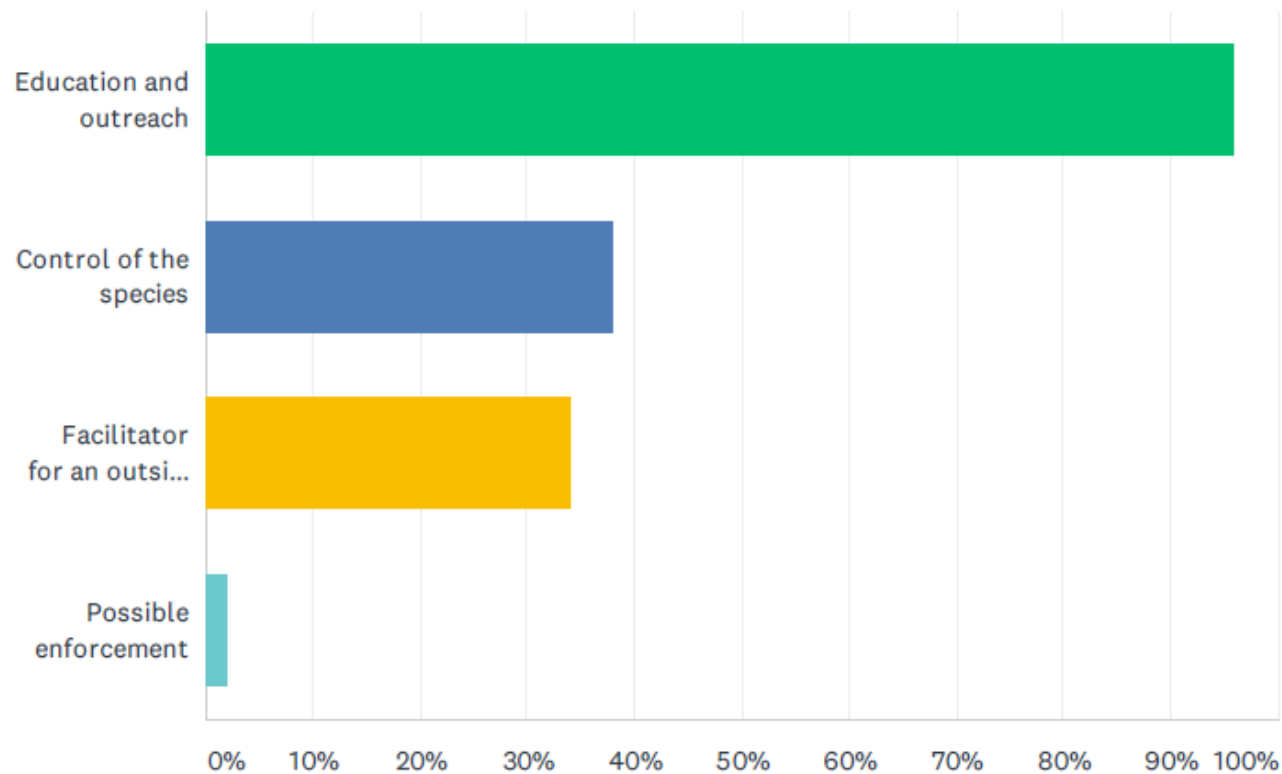
- 7 questions were presented to PA Conservation Districts (66)
- 76% of the CDs responded to the survey



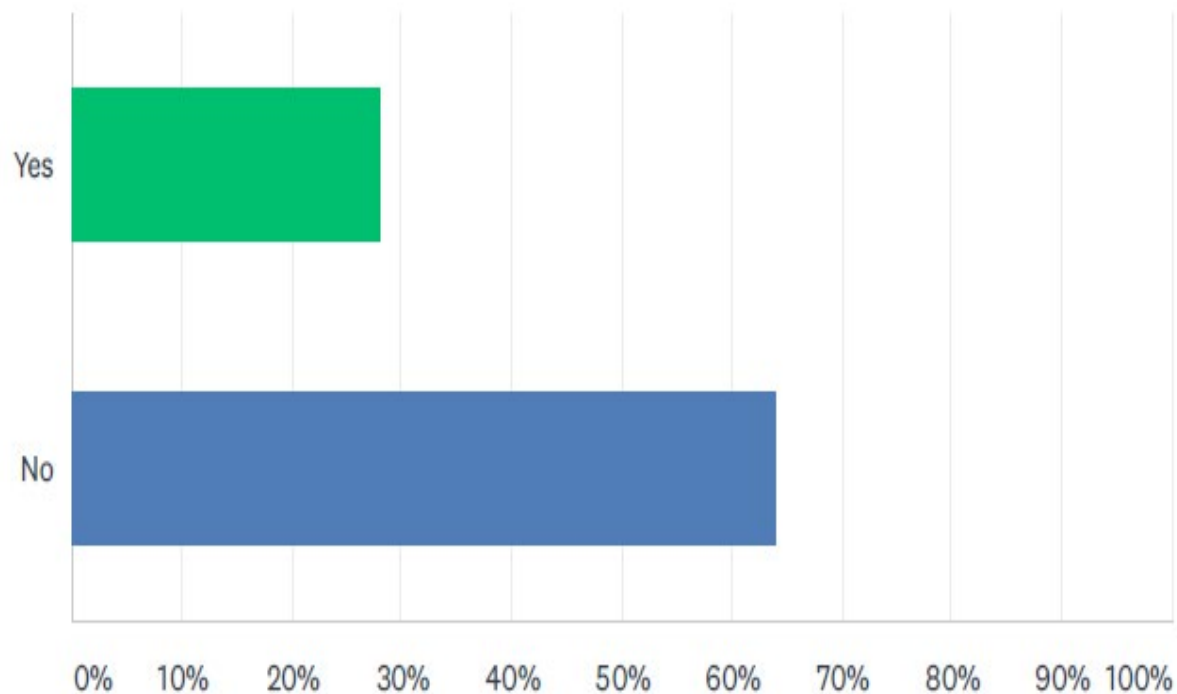
Other than Mosquito-born Disease Control, does your county conservation district currently have an established invasive species program, either to control the species or educate the public about invasive species?



If there would be an opportunity for your district to participate in a local CISMA and focus on a particular invasive species, how would you envision your role?



Would your current financial resources allow you to integrate invasive species management into your existing conservation district program areas?



What is the biggest threat to the natural resources in your county, and how would your conservation district best play a role in facilitating eradication or control of the invasive species?

Common Threats Identified

- Invasive Terrestrial Plants = 40%
- Invasive Aquatic Plants = 10%
- Invasive Insects = 38%
- Ticks = 2%
- Other (Stormwater, Pollution, Erosion, etc) 10%



Other than Mosquito-born Disease Control, what invasive species are you concentrating on controlling and what funding source does the district utilize for the program?

- None or N/A = 35%
- Education/Outreach only = 21%
- Insect = 20%
- Aquatic plants = 4%
- Terrestrial plants = 20%



Funding Sources?

- State (PDA, DCNR, PACD, Growing Greener) = 25%
- Federal = 2%
- No Funding = 13%
- No Response = 60%



What legal structure or framework do you need in order to participate in a CISMA?

- Unsure or N/A = 38%
- Contract/MOU/Agreement = 33%
- Board Approval only = 17%
- Funding concerns = 8%
- No Response = 4%



Roles of CDs

- Education/Outreach = 54%
- Active Control efforts = 26%
- Partner Coordination for control = 20%

