



Cannabis Science Taskforce Proficiency Testing Workgroup

2/25/2020 & 3/10/2020 MEETINGS

In attendance

2/25

- ▶ Ryan Zboralski, Sara Sekerak, and Alyssa Peter, Ecology
- ▶ Steve LaCroix, DOH
- ▶ Qingfen Gu, WSDA
- ▶ Nick Poolman, WSLCB
- ▶ Jay Burns, Treeline Analytics
- ▶ Steve Loague, Integrity Labs
- ▶ Bonnie Luntzel, Praxis Laboratory

3/10

- ▶ Ryan Zboralski, Sara Sekerak, and Alyssa Peter, Ecology
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- ▶ Steve Loague, Integrity Labs
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- ▶ Kyle Shelton, Medicine Creek

Matrix Discussion

- ▶ Started from the commodity groups defined by the analytical workgroup
- ▶ Flower
 - ▶ The lab representatives from the analytical workgroup felt there should be 3: High THC, High CBD, and Hybrid.
 - ▶ High THC dominating the market
 - ▶ Lab representatives on this workgroup agreed
- ▶ Intermediates
 - ▶ In general agreed with the analytical workgroup
 - ▶ Market likely dominated by BHO
- ▶ Need for data to support decisions and further guide this process

Matrix Data Mining

- ▶ Leaf data
 - ▶ Unfortunately, producer processors are responsible for entering matrix, creates weird matrices such as “sample_jar”
- ▶ Workgroup’s own Excel sheet was generated and placed on Box for the workgroup labs to enter their matrix quantities over the past
 - ▶ Initial data supports group’s estimates about market breakdown
- ▶ Group wishes to open the spreadsheet to the remaining labs
 - ▶ Participation optional, not required

Logistics

- ▶ Distribution of labs
 - ▶ Most labs are along the I-5 corridor, or not too far off of it
 - ▶ 3 on the eastside: 2 in Spokane and 1 in Yakima
- ▶ Other states
 - ▶ Nevada: Lab pick up
 - ▶ Colorado and Oregon: Agency Distributes directly to the lab
- ▶ Courier options
 - ▶ Terpene Transit
 - ▶ Individual Lab Couriers

Logistics

- ▶ Notifications from PT provider/liaison
 - ▶ 30 day notification of study taking place
 - ▶ 48 hour notification of study availability for pick-up/distribution
- ▶ Maintaining testing integrity
 - ▶ The PT provider/liaison must be able to facilitate the delivery of PT material in conditions appropriate to preserve study integrity
 - ▶ Conditions depend on test being performed on PT material
 - ▶ Courier (whether lab courier or 3rd party)
 - ▶ Must be capable of delivering PT material in conditions appropriate to preserve study integrity

Action Items

- ▶ Continue to add data to the shared spreadsheet. This will better inform our decisions on which matrices are/are not covered by an in-matrix PT. Ask Nick if possible (and how) to distribute the spreadsheet to the remaining labs.
- ▶ Ryan will continue to reach out to other states and Canada.
 - ▶ Been difficult due to COVID-19 situation
- ▶ Due to the steering Committee's focus on the Legislative report at the 3/27 meeting, our next meeting will be 3/31.
 - ▶ We will continue to monitor the evolving COVID-19 situation and adjust our meetings as necessary.

Questions?

