



# Crop Protection Network: 2017 Impact

## Mission Statement

The Crop Protection Network (CPN) is a multi-state and international collaboration of university/provincial extension specialists and public/private professionals who provide unbiased, research-based information to farmers and agricultural personnel.

Below, we highlight our activities and 2017 and the impact of our efforts.

## Activities

In 2017, we:

- **Created an administrative structure** to allow CPN to grow into a new era.
- Became a **North Central Integrated Pest Management Center Working Group**.
- **Informed plant pathology colleagues about CPN** at the NCERA-137 Soybean Pathology meeting in Pensacola, Florida, and the Corn Disease Working Group meeting in Chicago, Illinois.
- **Secured funding** for additional Soybean Disease Management publications series from the North Central Soybean Research Program, the United Soybean Board, and indirectly from the United States Department of Agriculture through the Iowa State University Integrated Pest Management program.

## By the Numbers

In 2017:

- The CPN created **2** publications for the Corn Disease Management series.
- The CPN created **3** publications for the Crop Management series.
- The CPN published the 2016 *Corn Disease Loss Estimates* and 2015 *Soybean Disease Loss Estimates*.
- The CPN created **2** publications describing membership guidelines, publication style guides, and a general instruction to authors of CPN publications.
- The CPN website had more than **21,900** visitors, resulting in more than **18,000** unique **page views** of our publications.
- 11 CPN publications were translated to French and more than **3,000** copies distributed.
- The top **5** publications viewed on the CPN website in 2017 were (in order):
  - *Bacterial Leaf Streak (CPN-2008)*
  - *Southern Rust (CPN-2009)*
  - *Cover Crops Do's and Don'ts (CPN-4002)*
  - *Charcoal Rot (CPN-1004)*
  - *Soybean Vein Necrosis Virus (CPN-1003)*
- The CPN had input from specialists representing **28** different institutions in the United States and Canada. Specialists contributed as authors and reviewers.

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