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NAPPO Conference Call Report

Expert Group:	Asian Gypsy Moth	
Location:	Zoom meeting – Video conference	
Date:	October 27, 2020	
Chairperson:	Wendy Asbil (CFIA)	
Participants:		
Gustavo Hernández (SEMARNAT)	María Eugenia Alarcón (SEMARNAT)	Ingrid Asmundsson (APHIS-PPQ)
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Alonso Suazo (NAPPO)		
Summary		
Project:	Asian gypsy moth: Validate specified risk periods (SRPs) for Asian gypsy moth (AGM) in countries of origin.	
General comments:	The TD welcomed and thanked EG members for joining the call. Agenda was approved as presented. The TD will take notes, draft, and send the conference call report to the chairperson for review before sharing with the EG.	
Item 1:	EG updates	
Consensus:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mexico <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. The AGM vessel certification program is operated under an official standard that establishes requirements harmonized with the US and Canadian programs. b. The work conducted on the Mexican standard (Norm) has been delayed because of the pandemic but will resume early in 2021. c. The completed Norm will go through a period of consultation in Mexico and latter published in the official government newsletter “<i>La Gazeta</i>”. d. Mexico is willing to share the document with the US and Canada to provide additional feedback during the consultation period. 2. US/Canada <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Changes in the specified risk periods have been proposed based on the analyses of collected data. EG members have been interacting with NPPO representatives of regulated countries to explain the proposed changes in the SRPs. b. The AGM program of each NAPPO country and countries that have vessel certification programs should be aligned as much as possible to implement the proposed SRP. 	

	<p>c. EG members have contacted NPPO representatives from regulating countries to discuss the proposed SRPs and the alignment of certification programs between countries.</p> <p>d. Further discussion should continue with the regulated and regulating countries before the NAPPO document is made available on public websites.</p>	
Item 2:	Draft document	
Consensus:	<p>The chairperson indicated that a draft document will probably be completed by December 2020, but it will be ready for review by mid-May 2021 and stakeholders should be properly informed before the document is made available to the public. The NAPPO ED agreed with the proposed timeline and informed the EG that NAPPO plans sending a couple of documents for country consultation in the first half of 2021. The AGM document can be sent for country consultation with the additional NAPPO documents if completed by the proposed timeline. The ED also requested to consider additional factors for the timeframe proposed including document formatting and editing time before the country consultation process.</p>	
Other subjects	<p>The ED proposed to the EG to write an article for the NAPPO newsletter informing about the work that is being done in Mexico with respect to the AGM program, describing the process the EG is using to propose new SRPs and the impact it will have on the RSPM 33. The main purpose of this article will be to better inform NAPPO stakeholders about the work the EG is doing and what has been accomplished.</p> <p>The chairperson suggested to write the article for the newsletter after informing stakeholders of the proposed changes to the SRPs. However, she supported the proposal to write an article to inform about the progress of the AGM program in Mexico.</p>	
Next Steps		
Responsible	Action	Date
Next Meeting		
Location:	Zoom meeting - Videoconference	
Date:	January 27, 2021 from 11:00am to noon EST.	
Proposed Agenda Items		
1. Welcome		
2. Review of agenda		
3. Update on SRP document		
4. Update from Mexico on AGM vessel program		
5. SRP implementation plan updates		
6. Other business		