



NAPPO

North American Plant Protection Organization
Organización Norteamericana de Protección a las Plantas

NAPPO Conference Call Report

Expert Group:	Lymantriids	
Location:	Conference call	
Date:	May 17, 2017	
Chairperson	Dave Holden (CFIA)	
Participants:		
Glenn Fowler (APHIS PPQ)	Paul Chaloux (APHIS PPQ)	Clemente de Jesús García (SENASICA)
Daniel Bravo Perez (SENASICA)	Eduardo Jimenez Quiroz (SEMARNAT)	Rajesh Ramarathnam (CFIA)
Patricia Abad (APHIS PPQ)	Stephanie Bloem (NAPPO)	Alonso Suazo (NAPPO)
Summary		
Project:	Develop a NAPPO Science and Technology document on the risks associated with Lymantriids of potential concern to the NAPPO region, identifying potential species and pathways of concern.	
General comments:	Election of the EG chair and co-chair, project scope and timeline were discussed.	
Item 1:	Election of the chair and co-chair.	
Consensus:	<p>To elect the new chair and vice-chair of the Lymantriid EG, each member provided a brief description of their background and experience with the Lymantriid EG. After a brief discussion, some members decided not to be considered for the roles of chair and vice-chair. Dave Holden (CFIA) kindly agreed to be the chair and Eduardo Jimenez (SEMARNAT) the vice-chair of the group. Dave has been working with the Lymantriid EG since the project was implemented, he is very familiarized with the project and has vast experience with Lymantriids. Eduardo has previously worked in NAPPO expert groups and has extensive experience with insect taxonomy and identification. Eduardo has also worked with Lymantriids.</p> <p>The NAPPO Secretariat is grateful to Dave and Eduardo for accepting the roles of chair and vice-chair with the Lymantriid EG and will provide details of their roles and responsibilities later on (copy of foundational document on the “roles and responsibilities of EG members”).</p>	

Item 2:	Scope and time to complete the science and technology document.
Consensus:	<p>An EG member asked whether the objective of this project was to analyze all the Lymantriid species of concern to the NAPPO region (all three countries), or each country individually, or Lymantriid species in one NAPPO country (or two) that should be of concern to the other countries. The chairperson explained that the group had approximately 2700 species listed of which approximately 224 have been identified as candidates to consider based on being reported to feed on at least one host considered to be economically important to NAPPO countries. Moths that are native or introduced but known to be established within the NAPPO region will not be considered for this project unless they are currently undergoing active eradication. To date, a risk analysis flowchart has been developed to rate each potential species. Approximately 30 species have been completed thus far. Those species with the highest ratings (threshold still to be determined) will be included in the science and technology document.</p> <p>Another point that was brought up was the use of the document (what is the end use of this document?) once the analyses are completed and the document written. The chairperson explained that a potential use for the document could be as a tool for risk assessment and as a surveillance tool for each NAPPO country. The chairperson also noted that some of these pests are listed as quarantined pests in Canada but a large number of species are not necessarily known or heard of in the NAPPO area, and are not included in the list of quarantined or regulated pests. The NAPPO ED also added that the document resulting from this work can be used to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop a standard • Organize workshops for inspections • Increase awareness of these species • Create a repository of information for all NAPPO countries • Do possible reviews of RSPM 33 or of the work being done by the Asian Gypsy Moth EG on the flight periods for Asian Gypsy Moth

Next Steps

Responsible Person	Action	Date
NAPPO Secretariat	Send doodle poll to the group to schedule the next conference call.	By May 26
NAPPO Secretariat	Provide documents describing the roles and responsibilities to the EG chair and co-chair	ASAP

Next Meeting	
Location:	Conference call
Date:	July 17, 2017
Proposed Agenda Items	
1. Set an approximate completion date for entire project and for the species review period.	
2. Finalize list of species to review and decide who gets which ones.	