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NAPPO Conference Call Report

<i>Tuta absoluta</i> Discussion Document Expert Group Video Conference – Zoom		
2:00 to 3:00 pm EST, Monday, March 11, 2024		
Expert Group:	<i>Tuta absoluta</i> Discussion Document	
Location:	Zoom video conference	
Chair:	N/A	
Participants		
Maria Guadalupe Chávez Sánchez (SENASICA)	Eutyclus Kariuki (APHIS-PPQ)	Ignacio Baez (APHIS-PPQ)
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Summary		
General comments	EG members introduced themselves following welcome remarks provided by the NAPPO TD.	
Item 1:	General review of the first draft of the discussion document – All	
Consensus:	<p>Work is needed to align the type of information to include and the format.</p> <p>Introduction A paragraph needs to be added at the beginning of the document to describe the project objectives. Information on the economic impact (crop loss) based on what is occurring in countries where <i>Tuta absoluta</i> is present could be added.</p> <p>Section 3: Overview of <i>Tuta absoluta</i> pest risk We will divide this section by country and participants from each country are responsible for populating the additional information. It should briefly describe the potential impact on the environment and greenhouses.</p> <p>Potential economic impact in the NAPPO region This will become section 4 and it should focus on trade impact. Participants will include the value and/or volume of import and export for hosts of <i>Tuta absoluta</i> for their country.</p>	
Item 2:	Discussion: Emergency response plan – All	
Consensus:	<p>More discussion is needed to clarify what information we want to include in this section.</p> <p>As per the project proposal, the objective was to develop a response plan that would mitigate the impact of <i>Tuta absoluta</i> on trade (and supply chain) of tomato fruit in an effort to facilitate trade should this</p>	

	pest be found in a NAPPO member country.	
Item 3:	Next steps	
Consensus:	For the next video conference: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The EG will continue to discuss item 2: response plan. 	
Next Steps		
Responsible person	Action	Date
All	Complete the introduction. Complete sections 3 and 4 of the document with country-specific information.	Before next meeting
Next Meeting		
Location:	Zoom meeting	
Date:	April 3 from 2:00 to 3:00 pm EST The Secretariat will send a calendar invite	
Proposed agenda		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Review the additions to the introduction, sections 3 and 4 2. Discuss the response plan 3. Discuss the possibility of having a face-to-face meeting 		