

NAPPO Conference Call Report

Expert Group:	Revision of RSPM 9			
Location:	Conference call			
Date:	December 13, 2019			
Chairperson	María del Rocío Hernández (SENASICA)			
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Summary				
Project:	Revision of RSPM 9 Authorization of laboratories for phytosanitary testing			
General comments:	Follow-up discussions about the use of the term "laboratory" and "entity" and terminology in the title in the revised version of the document.			
Item 1:	"Laboratory" and/or "entity" "Phytosanitary testing" and/or "Phytosanitary activities"			
Consensus:	EG members agreed to use the term "laboratory" consistently in the entire document. The term is easier to understand, the standard was created to outline requirements specific to laboratories and NAPPO has a separate standard (RSPM 28) that covers "entities" and could be used to complement RSPM 9. EG members agreed to use the terms "phytosanitary testing". The definition of "testing" is available in ISPM 5 but a definition of "phytosanitary" is not. The consensus was to use the terms "phytosanitary testing" and provide a definition of "phytosanitary" in RSPM 9 with a broader scope allowing flexibility to allow other activities related to testing (for example sampling).			
Item 2:	Next steps			
Consensus:	 The ED and TD outlined the next steps to the EG as follows: A 2-hr conference call will be scheduled with the EG in January 2020 to incorporate all changes agreed and produce a final revised draft of RSPM 9. The final copy of the revised document will be sent for editorial review. Upon completion of the editorial review, the document will be shared with the NAPPO AMC and sent for country 			

consultation (90 days). The NAPPO Secretariat will compile all comments received during the country consultation process and share them with the EG. If needed, a call will be scheduled to address comme provided during the country consultation process. Final revised version of the standard will be shared the AMC and EC for discussions and approval.		ocess and ss comments ocess. e shared with	
Next Steps			
Responsible Person	Action	Date	
NAPPO Secretariat	Make changes in the revised version of the document as agreed by EG members. Share the new version of the revised standard with the EG.		
NAPPO Secretariat	Schedule a 2-hr. conference call in January 2020 to complete the changes in the revised RSPM 9 document.		
Next Meeting			
Location:	Conference call		
Date:	To be determined		
Proposed Agenda Items			
 Finalize changes in th 2. 	ne revision of RSPM 9 document and the "Audit Check list "	document.	