



# NAPPO

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

## NAPPO Conference Call/Meeting Report Informe sobre conferencia telefónica/ reunión de la NAPPO

Expert Group/Grupo de Expertos:	Asian Gypsy Moth	
Location/Lugar:	Conference call	
Date/Fecha:	August 31, 2017	
Chairperson/Presidente	Wendy Asbil (CFIA)	
Participants/Participantes:		
Ingrid Asmundsson (APHIS PPQ)	Baode Wang (APHIS PPQ)	Patricia Abad (APHIS PPQ)
Gustavo Gonzáles (SEMARNAT)	Daniel Bravo (SENASICA)	Rajesh Ramarathnam (CFIA)
<b>Summary/Resumen</b>		
Project /Proyecto:		
General comments/ Comentarios generales:	Discuss agenda items from previous conference call.	
Item 1/ Asunto 1:	Country updates	
Consensus/Decisiones:	<p>Mexico:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The pre-proposal on the Asian gypsy moth regulations, particularly with the vessel inspections, in Mexico is now complete and will be formally incorporated as an official regulatory document in January 2018.</li><li>• SEMARNAT will participate in an upcoming forest parasitology symposium in October 2017 with talks related to AGM. This symposium will also provide a platform to discuss the regulatory issues regarding AGM with interested parties.</li><li>• The symposium also provides an opportunity to align the priorities of the forestry and agricultural sectors and to share the survey results of lymantriids in Mexico including AGM</li></ul> <p>US:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• No policy updates</li><li>• Small number of vessels reported with egg masses but none with AGM</li></ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NAPPO TD inquired about the data from traps provided to AGM regulated countries. EG members do not have any information yet but are expecting to get some information at the end of the official flight season</li> </ul> <p>Canada:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• End or high-risk period in Canada is September 15.</li> <li>• Most vessels arriving were certified free of AGM</li> <li>• Small number of vessels with AGM have been reported arriving to Canada.</li> </ul> <p>General updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New Zealand AGM program is up and running and ready to start their 2018 season. The NZ AGM program used the NAPPO RSPM33 standard as a reference.</li> <li>• The Chairperson informed the group about an upcoming APHIS/CFIA trip to Chile on September 11 and 12 to meet with the COSAVE Forestry working group to discuss invasive species issues, including AGM.</li> <li>• Mexico expressed interest in knowing the results from the implementation of COSAVE members' AGM regulations.</li> </ul>
Item 2/ Asunto 2:	Ongoing work and new opportunities. The Chairperson shared a document with recommendations from the 2015 AGM workshop in Kemah, Texas and asked the group for feedback on those recommendations that would enhance the NAPPO EG AGM work.
Consensus/Decisiones:	<p>Recommendations presented at the 2015 workshop:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue to provide support to Mexico in the development and implementation of their AGM program.</li> <li>• Holding a workshop with the four AGM-regulated countries for exchanges similar to those at the Houston workshop. It was suggested that it might be good to broaden participation to regulating and regulated countries. There was discussion around how best to disseminate and distribute information of benefit to all parties involved in the AGM program (including organizations like shippers, vessel owners and shipping lines - among others.</li> <li>• Considerations to have another AGM workshop in one or two years. This timing will allow Mexico to implement their national AGM regulations and share their experiences at the workshop.</li> <li>• Challenges for getting certification and procedures for ordering vessels out of ports upon arrival to North America will be two important topics to address in a workshop. Consider updates to RSPM 33 in the near future to provide information that should be included in the pre-departure certificates (i.e. examples in an appendix to RSPM 33). Another update that could be considered for RSPM 33 is to include types of information on non-</li> </ul>

	<p>compliant vessels to share with to those countries where the non-compliance vessels originated in order to facilitate follow-ups.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop training module via online platforms or mobile apps.</li> </ul> <p>Mexico inquired about the next steps regarding an AGM workshop. The NAPPO TD indicated that it should be submitted as a new project proposal but not for this year because the deadline to submit proposal already passed. If submitted as a project proposal it should be done in 2018 to implement in the 2019 season.</p>
Item 3 / Asunto 3:	EG report for the 2017 AM
Consensus/Decisiones:	<p>Chairperson asked the group about the key message for the report to present at the AM including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Updates to RSPM33</li> <li>• Validation of risk period moving slowly because the group is still collecting data, however, the project is moving in the right direction</li> </ul>
Other subjects/Otros asuntos	<p>Members that will be in the AM in Merida:</p> <p>Gustavo Gonzales Clemente de Jesus Ingrid Asmundsson Wendy Asbil</p>
Consensus/Decisiones:	<p>The Chairperson suggested a face to face meeting with the EG members in Merida for (Monday October 16 from 10:30am-12:00). Chairperson requested to have a phone line to connect other EG members via conference call.</p>

### Next Meeting/Próxima Reunión

Location/Lugar:	TBD by Doodle
Date/Fecha:	Late September

### Action Items/Acciones

Item No.	Responsible	Description	Deadline
[A-1]	NAPPO Secretariat	Translate documents used in today's conference call (provided by the Chairperson) and distribute to EG members to provide comments.	ASAP
[A-2]	EG members	Review progress report to present at the NAPPO AM and provide comments to Wendy Asbil (Chairperson) via email.	September 15
[A-3]	NAPPO Secretariat	Send Doodle poll for next conference call from September 27-29 from 1:00pm to 2:00pm EDT	

