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2020 NAPPO Work Program

Dear NAPPO stakeholders,

Below is a table listing **the projects that form the 2020 NAPPO Work Program**.

Please note that during the 2019 call for new projects, stakeholders submitted six (6) projects for consideration as possible additions to the 2020 NAPPO Work Program. Late last year, submissions were reviewed by the NAPPO Executive Committee (EC) and Advisory and Management Committee (AMC), taking into consideration pre-approved prioritization criteria (see them at the end of this document), stakeholder input, as well as ongoing and carryover NAPPO project load. Based on this evaluation, there was EC and AMC consensus to add **three new projects** to the 2020 Work Program and “wait list” one other to be added as time and resources allow.

We remind you that NAPPO schedules calls for new projects every two years. As such, the next open call will be in 2021. However, if you have a project proposal that you want to submit to NAPPO outside of the open period, please work through your AMC member to submit your project idea anytime for further evaluation and consideration.

The information in the table below is organized as follows:

- **Selected new projects** – to be launched in 2020 - are listed at the top of the table
- **Ongoing projects** are listed next, followed by **Permanent projects**
- The last part of the table lists **Projects completed in 2019**.

| No. | Area of Interest | Project Title | Details/updates | Expert Group |
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| New projects | | | | |
| 1 | Seeds <i>ToBRFV</i> | A pilot for harmonization of diagnostic protocols for seed pests focused on <i>ToBRFV</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Project will serve as a model for regional harmonization on seed diagnostics and help facilitate safe trade of seeds in the NAPPO region• Pilot terms of reference to be developed by EG• EG will include subject matter experts (SMEs) in virology and diagnostics | Seeds <i>ToBRFV</i> |

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| | | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Targeted initiation 1st quarter of 2020 | |
| 2 | ISPM 25 implementation | Standardization of responsibilities and actions for safeguarding consignments that have transited one NAPPO country to enter another NAPPO country | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop a NAPPO Manual based on ISPM 25 - <i>Consignments in Transit</i> and IPPC Transit Manual to promote harmonized and efficient implementation of ISPM 25 within the NAPPO region • Targeted initiation 2nd quarter of 2020 | ISPM 25 |
| 3 | Update existing NAPPO Regional Standard for Phytosanitary Measures - RSPM | RSPM 38: <i>Importation of certain wooden and bamboo commodities into a NAPPO member country</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updates to RSPM 38 are needed to ensure the latest regulatory/policy and scientific information and other key data and concepts are incorporated • Targeted initiation 2nd quarter of 2020 | RSPM 38 |
| 4 | Forestry-AGM | Review of selected Lymantriids and other species that could be considered for inclusion in the Asian Gypsy Moth (AGM) vessel-certification program for North America | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project objectives include understanding the risks of selected additional species; and determining whether and how to incorporate these into the existing program, including impacts on regular reviews of Specified Risk Periods • Targeted initiation in 2020; time TBD | Forestry-AGM |
| Ongoing projects | | | | |
| 5 | ISPM 38 implementation | Workshop follow-up | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Facilitate implementation of ISPM 38 for stakeholders in the Americas • Translation of Proceedings underway • Terminology and communications ad-hoc groups active • Targeted (Proceedings) completion 2nd quarter of 2020 | ISPM 38 |
| 6 | Update NAPPO RSPM | RSPM 9: <i>Authorization of Laboratories for Phytosanitary Testing</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review/update RSPM based on recently adopted plant health standards, current industry practices, government regulations and scientific/technical info • RSPM 9 is important for accreditation programs and facilitating certification and exports of plant products • RSPM 9 was last updated in 2009 • EG has completed the update | RSPM 9 |

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| | | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Document will go through country consultation before EC approval • Targeted completion 3rd quarter of 2020 | |
| 7 | Lymantriids | Develop a Science and Technology document on risks associated with Lymantriids of concern to the NAPPO region, identifying potential species and pathways of concern | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Examine selected Lymantriid species to identify and characterize species presenting potential risks to North America • Data for 80+ species has been summarized, analyzed and included in the draft document; first draft expected by mid-March • Final document will go through editorial review and country consultation before EC approval • Targeted completion 3rd quarter of 2020 | Lymantriids |
| 8 | Update NAPPO RSPM | RSPM 22: <i>Guidelines for construction and operation of a containment facility for insects and mites used as biological control agents</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review/update RSPM based on recently adopted plant health standards, current industry practices, government regulations and scientific/technical info. RSPM 22 was last reviewed in 2011 • EG is making good progress; completion of RSPM 22 and update of RSPM 26 App. 2 - <i>Lists of BC organisms approved for commercial importation within the NAPPO region</i> is expected soon • Final document will go through editorial review and country consultation before EC approval • Targeted completion late 3rd quarter 2020 | Biological Control |
| 9 | Update NAPPO RSPM | RSPM 35: <i>Guidelines for the movement of Stone and Pome Fruit Trees and Grapevines into a NAPPO Member Country</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review/update RSPM based on recently adopted plant health standards, current industry practices, government regulations and scientific/technical info • RSPM 35 outlines a systems approach for reducing the risk of introduction of regulated pests associated with the movement of stone and pome fruit trees and grapevines. RSPM 35 was last reviewed in 2009 • EG is making good progress; the final draft will be reviewed in an upcoming virtual call • RSPM 35 has numerous pest tables; updated tables are expected by the end of 1st quarter | RSPM 35 |

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| | | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Final document will go through editorial review and country consultation before EC approval • Targeted completion 4th quarter 2020 | |
| 10 | Forest Products | Develop a Science and Technology document that addresses Contaminant pests of wood commodities | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Document will provide scientific information on live contaminants of wood commodities and wood packaging and provide guidance on appropriate actions for addressing the risks • Document progressing well • Final document will go through editorial review and country consultation before EC approval • Targeted completion 4th quarter 2020 | Forestry |
| 11 | Update NAPPO RSPM | RSPM 5: NAPPO Glossary of Phytosanitary Terms | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AMC identified terms that will need to be defined/added • AMC approval, editing, country consultation, incorporate comments, EC approval • Targeted completion 4th quarter 2020 | RSPM 5 - AMC |
| 12 | Risk-Based Sampling (RBS) | Risk-Based Sampling Manual | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve implementation of technically justified and defensible inspection procedures and further implementation of ISPMs 23 and 31 • Draft is progressing • Review, edit, publish • Targeted completion 4th quarter 2020 • Translate RBS Manual sometime in 2021 | NAPPO |
| 13 | Asian Gypsy Moth (AGM) | Validate the specified risk periods (SRPs) for AGM in regulated countries | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review interception/trapping data from regulated countries to determine if changes to the SRPs should be considered and if such changes would impact the requirements of the NA vessel certification program • EG waiting for feedback from regulated countries on proposed modified SRPs • Final document through editorial review and country consultation before EC approval • Targeted completion 4th quarter 2020 | AGM |

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| 14 | Support the International Year of Plant Health (IYPH) | The EG exchanges ideas, develops appropriate materials and plans IYPH events in the NAPPO region Oversight of the EG provided by the NAPPO AMC | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IYPH webpage on NAPPO website is active • It is a repository for NPPO and regional IYPH information that will be constantly updated by the EG with support from the Secretariat • Facebook/Twitter to be used together with webpage • Targeted completion 1st quarter 2021 | IYPH |
| Permanent Projects | | | | |
| 15 | NAPPO foundational documents | NAPPO foundational documents | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update historical documents based on present needs • Develop additional documents, compile and review, edit for consistency | Foundational documents - AMC |
| 16 | Phytosanitary Alert System (PAS) | Manage regional pest reporting and inform on emerging pest threats to the NAPPO region | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet IPPC National Reporting Obligations and facilitate awareness, detection, prevention and management of exotic plant pest species within North America • Updated North Carolina State University (NCSU) PAS platform completed • Metrics and automatic notifications | PAS |
| 17 | Electronic Phytosanitary Certification | Assistance and technical support to the IPPC ePhyto Steering Group | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide input to Steering Group, to help address exchange, secure transmission and data standardization • Mexico will start exchanging ePhytos this year • U.S. exchanging with 11 countries via the Hub, GeNS and, for some countries, using their own system • Canada continues working on their system • EG call to be scheduled in late March 2020 | eCert |
| 18 | Stakeholder engagement | Annual meeting, newsletter and NAPPO website | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plan, coordinate, deliver the NAPPO Annual Meeting • Develop and publish the Newsletter 3x/y • Upgrade/update NAPPO website as needed | Secretariat, with AMC NPPO support |
| 19 | Regional collaboration | Collaborate with the Interamerican Coordinating Group in Plant Health (GICSV) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participate/support regional initiatives on topics of importance to RPPOs of the Americas • NAPPO participates in virtual WGs on eCert, HLB, fruit flies and <i>T. absoluta</i> focusing on information exchange and participation in virtual calls • NAPPO Secretariat provides interpretation and occasional translation services | Experts from NPPOs and NAPPO Secretariat |

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| | | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Next GICSV coordination call March 18, 2020 | |
| Completed projects | | | | |
| | Update NAPPO RSPM | Revision of RSPM 17: <i>Guidelines for the Establishment, Maintenance and Verification of Fruit Fly Free Areas in North America</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review/update RSPM based on recently adopted plant health standards, current industry practices, government regulations and scientific/technical information The EG agreed to archive RSPM 17 because more recent international standards have been adopted that effectively build-on and supersede RSPM 17. The most relevant of these is ISPM 26 <i>Establishment of pest free areas for fruit flies</i> Document was archived in 2019, but is still available on the NAPPO website under archived standards | RSPM 17 |
| | Khapa beetle | Develop a harmonized North American approach to preventing the introduction, and spread of khapa beetle in various pathways | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evaluate each NAPPO member country's regulatory approach (prevention, detection and response) to identify similarities, differences and gaps and come to consensus on activities that can be harmonized Discussion document was completed in 2019 and is available on the NAPPO website | Khapa beetle |
| | Biological Control | Develop training modules to facilitate the use of RSPM 12 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop training modules in English and Spanish based on material from the 2015 NAPPO workshop on requirements outlined in NAPPO RSPM 12 Completed modules are available on the NAPPO website | Biological Control |

Evaluation Criteria and Other Considerations for NAPPO project prioritization

- **Project fits under the mandate/regulatory authority of member country NPPOs.**
- **Strategic Alignment:** Project is well aligned with the strategic priorities of NAPPO and its member country NPPO's; see links to the NAPPO Strategic Plan and to websites of the NPPOs of our member countries.
 - NAPPO Strategic Plan - <http://www.nappo.org/english/official-documents/strategic-plan>
 - Canada - CFIA website - <http://www.inspection.gc.ca/plants/eng/1299162629094/1299162708850>
 - United States – APHIS-PPQ website - <https://www.aphis.usda.gov/aphis/ourfocus/planthealth>

- Mexico – SENASICA website – <http://www.gob.mx/senasica/acciones-y-programas/organismos-y-acciones-de-cooperacion-regional-e-internacional>
- **Impact:** Project has harmonization value for North America.
- **Priority Pests:** Project addresses pests of concern to member countries.
- **Feasibility - human capital:** Project clearly indicates availability of technical/scientific expertise from member country NPPOs.
- **Feasibility- resources:**
 - Project proposal clearly outlines the steps/processes and timelines needed to achieve the project objectives.
 - Project proposal includes details on human (how many) and financial (how much) resources needed for the project. NAPPO does not itself provide funds for project development.
 - Project is “doable” with current NAPPO Secretariat resources (i.e., how many projects can be managed by the Secretariat taking into consideration other commitments).
- **Advance phytosanitary capacity in North America:** Project fosters sharing of resources, information, and experiences among member countries.
- **Strategic Value of similar NAPPO projects:** Likelihood that the proposed project would be successful/useful based on similar past endeavors.