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# Progress Report 2015-16 Potato Expert Group

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# Project 1: Status of Potato Pests in NAPPO Countries

## Objective

1. Annual review of the pest list contained in Appendix 1, RSPM 3.
  - RSPM 3, *Movement of Potatoes into a NAPPO Member Country*

## Deliverable

1. The annual review and publication of the pest list - reference tool.

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# Project 2: Align RSPM 3 with ISPM 33

## Objectives

1. Review and align RSPM 3 (2011) with the international standard ISPM 33 (2010).
  - ISPM 33 – Standard on *Pest free potato (Solanum sp.)* micropropagative material and minitubers for international trade.
  - Pertains to the import requirements for plantlets, microtubers and minitubers - post entry quarantine and/ or post-entry monitoring, in accordance to the requirements of the importing country.

## Deliverables/ Next Step

1. The review and alignment of a draft RSPM 3 was completed in February and circulated for a 90 day comment period.
2. The country consultation period ended on May 31, 2016.
3. The Expert Group reviewed all comments received and revised the draft in June 2016. The revised draft is being reviewed by each NAPPO country.

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# Project 3: 5-year Review of RSPM 3

## Objectives

1. A full review of RSPM 3 occurs every 5-year, or at the request of a NAPPO member country.
2. This current 5-year review includes a detailed review of Annex 6 on Pre-shipment Testing for Potato Virus pathovar N (PVY<sup>N</sup>).
  - A PVY TAG Science and Technology document was finalized in 2013 to support the review of Annex 6.

## Deliverable

1. The expert panel has commenced the full review of RSPM 3.

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## Progress during 2015-16

- A total of **seven teleconferences** were held in 2016: January 13, February 16, April 5 & 28, June 16, July 28 and August 17. An in-person meeting is planned for November 2, 2016 in Montreal.
- The predominate activity for 2016 was project 2 - the review, alignment and consultation of RSPM 3 as related to ISPM 33.

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# Next steps and proposed activities for 2017

## Next Step

- Publish the reviewed pest list, appendix 1 (project 1).
- Complete the domestic consultation of the revised RSPM 3 (project 2) and development of implementation plans.
- Complete the 5-year review of RSPM 3, including Annex 6 on PVY<sup>N</sup> (project 3).