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

NAPPO Conference Call Report

Expert Group:	Revision of RSPM 17 (<i>Guidelines for the establishment, maintenance and verification of fruit fly free areas in North America</i>).	
Location:	Conference call	
Date:	August 26, 2019	
Chairperson	Kenneth Bloem (APHIS PPQ)	
Participants:		
Mireille Marcotte (CFIA)	Heather Cumming (CFIA)	Neil Henry (CFIA)
Sarah Marnell (APHIS PPQ)	Walter Gould (APHIS PPQ)	Michael Bush (US)
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Summary		
Project /Proyecto:	Revision of RSPM 17	
Item 1:	Follow up on the discussions for a decision on what to do with the revision work of RSPM 17.	
Consensus:	<p>Expert group members discussed the options for the revision work of RSPM 17 based on the importance of the standard in the NAPPO region and the level of overlap with other newly adopted international standards and documents related to fruit fly free areas. Representatives from all three NPPO's indicated that RSPM 17 is an important standard but has been replaced with international standards adopted after RSPM 17 was adopted and suggested to archive it. However, the industry requested more time to evaluate the level of overlapping between RSPM 17 and the international standards to provide a final consensus on the decision of how to proceed with the revision of RSPM 17. The industry was also concerned about losing important information contained in RSPM 17. This discussion will continue in the next conference call.</p> <p>In anticipation for a decision to archive RSPM 17, the EG agreed to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) allow industry more time to evaluate the options for the revision of RSPM 17; 	

	<p>2) have the Chairperson draft a paragraph explaining the reasons why RSPM 17 was archived for the EG to consider; and</p> <p>3) re-review RSPM 17 with an eye toward identifying new or emerging concepts that the EG might want to use to develop a position paper or technical document or to include a paragraph about why RSPM 17 was archived.</p>
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Next Steps

Responsible Person	Action	Date

Next Meeting

Location:	Conference call
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Date:	September 23, 2019 from 2:00-3:00 pm EDT
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Proposed Agenda Items

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