

NAPPO Conference Call Report

Expert Group:	Revision of RSPM 35 – Guidelines for the movement of stone and pome fruit tree and grapevines into a NAPPO member country				
Location:	Video conference - Zoom				
Date:	August 19, 2020				
Chairperson	Sarah Brearey (CFIA)				
Participants:					
Anna-Mary Schmidt (CFIA)	Allison Gratz (CFIA)	Yilmaz Balci (APHIS-PPQ)			
Patrick Shiel (APHIS-PPQ)	Randi Jimenez (CDFA)	Shelah Morita (APHIS-PPQ)			
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Craig Regelbrugge (US industry)	Mike Willett (US Industry)	Patricia Abad (APHIS-PPQ)			
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Patricia McAllister (CFIA)					
Summary					
Project:	Revision of RSPM 35 – Guidelines for the movement of stone and pome fruit tree and grapevines into a NAPPO member country				
General comments:	The NAPPO TD welcomed the EG members and thanked them for joining the video conference. Discussions followed based on agenda points provided earlier.				
Item 1:	Updates from the NAPPO Se				
Consensus:	 The NAPPO TD provided the following updates: The NAPPO AMC and EC met virtually in July 2020. During the meetings, the AMC and EC discussed the IPPC plans to adopt the revised ISPM 8, possible delays and how it is affecting the work done with the revision of RSPM 35. The IPPC expects to adopt the revised ISPM 8 in March 2021 (next CPM meetings) but there is uncertainty about the proposed date due to the pandemic. IPPC continue to explore standard adoption options for international standards including but not limited to virtual voting. The AMC and EC also discussed how using the pest categorization of the unrevised ISPM 8 in the revision of RSPM 35 and later update to the new categories when ISPM 8 is approved will require additional efforts by the 				

Item 2: Consensus:	 risk analysts. AMC and EC suggested the EG should address this point and come to a consensus. EG discussions on using the pest categorization using the unrevised or revised ISPM 8. Following the updates from the NAPPO TD the chairperson suggested to discuss how the EG will proceed with respect to use the pest categorization of the revised or unrevised ISPM 8. Members of the EG agreed to use the revised ISPM 8 pest categories and publish the revised RSPM 35 after the revised ISPM 8 is adopted.
Item 3:	Pest table work updates
Consensus:	 EG members provided the following updates on the pest tables work: US analysts have completed the analyses work on all pest table (bacteria, phytoplasma and fungi) except for nematodes. This work is being reviewed internally and will be shared with the EG when the internal review is completed. The review will be completed possibly in two weeks. Virus and viroids pests of stone and pome fruit trees is almost completed. Mexico has reviewed the pest tables of both annexes of RSPM 35 using the revised pest categorization of ISPM 8. Minor adjustments will be needed but overall, Mexico has done a lot of progress with the revision of all pest tables in RSPM 35. Randi Jimenez sent an updated nematode list to the EG. The nematode list includes up to date references. Randi Jimenez will send the list to the Secretariat for distribution to the EG. Canada still need to review some tables and add new pest categorization terminology.
Item 4:	Update from virus subgroup
Consensus:	 Allison Gratz (CFIA) provided updates on the work conducted by the virus subgroup including: Criteria used to remove entries. Consensus on the virus names and hosts (Latin names instead of common names) Updating the references. To include a virus in the table only if the sequence data from gene bank from that virus is available. The subgroup is meeting every three weeks. The subgroup also agreed to remove the mycoviruses from the table. The virus subgroup will work on the language to include in the document describing the criteria used to keep a species in the

		tables. The chairperson also indicated that a statement should be added to indicated what the purpose of the pest tables is.			
		Maher AI Rwahnih also indicated that members of the EG are engaged in discussion and collecting facts on phantom diseases with colleagues around the world.			
Item 5:		RSPM 35 revision			
Consensus:		EG members continued with the revision of the document. Comments and suggestions in sections 2.1.9 (<i>Documentation</i> <i>and identification</i>) to section 2.1.10 (<i>Quality system and audit</i> <i>review</i>).			
Next Steps					
Responsible Person	Action		Date		
Randi Jimenez	Send nematode list to the NAPPO Secretariat to share with the EG.				
Virus subgroup	Provide language for selection criteria of pests to include in the pest tables.				
Next Meeting					
Location:	Zoom meeting				
Date:	September 29, 2020 from 1:00-2:30 pm EDT				
Proposed Agenda Items					
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