



# NAPPO

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

## NAPPO Conference Call Report

Expert Group:	NAPPO International Year of Plant Health (IYPH)	
Location:	Zoom meeting – Video conference	
Date:	January 12, 2021	
Chairperson	Lisa Lafontaine (CFIA)	
Participants:		
Greg Rosenthal – vice-chair (APHIS-PPQ)	Ifi Chafy (CFIA)	Beatriz Martínez Reding García (SENASICA)
Victor Hugo Rodriguez Díaz (SENASICA)	Karen Stephany Miranda Ponce (SENASICA)	Adrian Digi (SENASICA)
Nedelka Marín-Martínez (NAPPO)	Alonso Suazo (NAPPO)	
<b>Summary</b>		
Project:	NAPPO International Year of Plant Health	
General comments:	<p>The TD thanked all EG members for joining the call. At the EG chair's request, Greg Rosenthal agreed to chair the meeting. The TD accepted to take note and write the report for the chairperson to review.</p> <p>Greg Rosenthal announced that Heather Curlett (APHIS – PPQ) has accepted a new position within PPQ and will no longer be a member of the EG. EG members thanked Heather for her contributions to the EG and the IYPH project.</p>	
Item 1:	Updates from the NAPPO Secretariat	
Consensus:	<p>The TD informed the EG that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the NAPPO AMC decided the EG will work only with projects related to the IYPH until July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021. The EG will be disbanded thereafter</li> <li>all articles have been uploaded into the EG webpage in the NAPPO website and some articles have been made available in several social media platforms including Facebook and Tweeter.</li> </ul>	
Item 2:	Next articles	
Consensus:	<p>The EG reached a consensus on the next articles to publish as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>January article</b> - this will be a compilation of the IYPH activities and events that took place in 2020 in each NAPPO country. An introductory paragraph will be drafted by Greg Rosenthal and shared with the EG for EG members from each country to complete.</li> <li><b>February article</b> - Mexico will write the February article. EG members will consult with the NAPPO AMC member</li> </ul>	

	<p>from Mexico and inform the group about the selected topic.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>March article.</b> Canada will write the March article on forest pests. The chairperson indicated that CFIA and Natural Resources Canada are collaborating on this article.</li> </ul>	
Item 3:	“Green building initiative”	
Consensus:	<p>EG members agreed to illuminate selected buildings in their countries in green in April 2021. This will coincide with the Invasive Plant Pest Diseases awareness month in Canada. Pending items include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• determination of a specific date in April</li> <li>• determination on the length of time the selected buildings/monuments will be illuminated.</li> </ul>	
Other subjects	<p>EG members from Mexico informed about 2021 as the Year of Fruit and Vegetables and inquired on whether the NAPPO EG will have a role to play on this initiative. The TD indicated that he will bring this issue for discussion with the AMC and will inform the EG about the decisions.</p>	
<b>Next Steps</b>		
<b>Responsible Person</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Date</b>
Greg Rosenthal	Provide the introductory text and the template for the January article.	
EG members	Complete the template provided by Greg Rosenthal to complete the January 2021 IYPH EG article.	
EG members – Mexico	Provide the title for the February article.	
<b>Next Meeting</b>		
Location:	Zoom meeting - Videoconference	
Date:	February 18 from 1:30-2:30 EST	
<b>Proposed Agenda Items</b>		
1. Quick update from the NAPPO TD on the January article		
2. Update on the February article by colleagues in Mexico		
3. Update on the March article by colleagues in Canada		
<p>4. Update on the green building initiative:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• locations from each country</li> <li>• determination of a specific date in April</li> <li>• determination on the length of time the selected buildings/monuments will be illuminated</li> </ul>		
5. Roundtable		