



# NAPPO 2025

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## 48<sup>th</sup> North American Plant Protection Organization (NAPPO)

### Annual Meeting

Ottawa, Ontario, Canada

October 21-23, 2025

[\[AM Website link\]](#)

Delta Hotel Ottawa City Centre

### Activities Prior to the Meeting

#### Sunday, October 19

08:30 – 12:00	Logistics Office Set-up/ NAPPO Logistics and Organizers Team Meeting – closed meeting – <b>Bytowne</b>
14:00 – 17:30	NAPPO Advisory and Management Committee (AMC) Meeting – closed meeting – <b>Cartier</b>

#### Monday, October 20

09:00 – 17:00	NAPPO Management Team Meeting (EC, IAG and AMC) – closed meeting – <b>Cartier</b>
14:00 – 17:00	Participant registration – <b>Lobby</b>
18:30 – 21:30	Welcome reception – <b>Pinnacle</b>

[Insert QR codes for Visitor info, etc.]

## Tuesday, October 21

8:00 – 17:00		Participant registration – <b>Foyer of Grand Salon</b>	
<b>NAPPO member countries only – <b>CONCURRENT</b> Government and Industry Meetings</b>			
9:00 – 10:00	Government Meetings by Country Canada - Mexico – United States – Grand Salon		
9:00 – 10:00	Industry Meetings by Country, with NAPPO Chief Scientist, Dr. Javier Trujillo, to join each for 10 minutes Canada – United States – Mexico –		
<b>NAPPO member countries only – <b>COMBINED</b> Government and Industry Meetings</b>			
10:00 – 11:00	Government/ Industry Meetings by Country Canada - Mexico – United States – Grand Salon		
11:00 – 12:30		Lunch -	
<b>PLENARY – Grand Salon</b>			
13:00	Welcome and ground rules		Bolduc
13:10	Welcome remarks – Canadian Dignitary		TBD
13:20	Keynote Speaker		TBD
13:40	Opening remarks from the NAPPO EC Chair		Côté
14:00	Welcome and updates from the NAPPO Secretariat		Trujillo
14:15	IPPC Secretariat Report		IPPC Secretary
14:15 – 15:00	NAPPO Country Government Reports – 15 min each <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• United States</li><li>• Canada</li><li>• Mexico</li></ul>		Mahalingappa Côté Ramírez y Ramírez
15:00 – 15:30		Coffee/Tea + Networking – <b>Grand Salon</b>	
15:30 – 16:15	NAPPO Country Industry Reports – 15 min each <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• United States</li><li>• Canada</li><li>• Mexico</li></ul>		Gething Morse Puentes
16:15 – 17:00	The importance of plant health and NAPPO in North America (former chairs of CPM) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What does NAPPO do + brief intro to the NAPPO AM</li><li>• Phytosanitary Alert System</li><li>• Increasing engagement/influence of NAPPO in the IPPC</li></ul>		Trujillo TBD Wolff
17:00	Session Close, Announcements		Bolduc
18:00 – 19:30		<b>BILATERAL – closed meeting - Location</b>	

## Wednesday, October 22

PLENARY – Grand Salon		
9:00 – 9:10	Announcements and ground rules	Bolduc
9:10 - 10:00	NAPPO Contributions at the IPPC – 45 min + time for Q&A <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Standards Committee updates               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Commodity standards</li> <li>Call for topics</li> </ul> </li> <li>Implementation Committee updates</li> </ul>	Côté/Dubon  Pelletier
10:00 -10:30	NAPPO Collaboration with other Regional Plant Protection Organizations (RPPOs) – 20min + time for Q&A <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>GICSV</li> <li>Technical consultation of RPPOs</li> <li>EPPO-NAPPO meeting</li> </ul>	Trujillo
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee/Tea + Networking – Grand Salon	
11:00 – 11:45	Knowledge topic 1 – Plant Health Learning Resources – 45 minutes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>IPPC Plant Health Campus</li> <li>NAPPO training and other resources</li> <li>Industry training and resources in the NAPPO region</li> <li>IPPC systems approach tool and intro to the systems approach workshop</li> </ul>	Barb Peterson TBD TBD Pelletier
11:45 – 12:15	NAPPO work program in 2025 – 20 min + time for Q&A <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ToBRFV</li> <li>Methyl Bromide</li> </ul> Revision of RPSM 26	AMC
12:15 – 13:45	Lunch	
13:45-14:30	Forestry – 45 min + time for Q&A <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Forestry Water Bath Heat Treatment Project</li> <li>ISPM 15 Compliance</li> <li>New Annex to ISPM 39</li> </ul>	TBD TBD Cote
14:30 – 15:00	Knowledge topic 2 – Regulated Non-Quarantine Pests <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Overview of RNQPs</li> </ul> Example or case study or presentation	Bruno Gallant  TBD
15:00 – 15:30	Coffee/Tea + Networking – Grand Salon	
15:30 -15:45	Tuta Absoluta	TBD
15:45 – 16:15	ePhyto <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Overview presentation</li> <li>RSPM 8</li> <li>Industry perspectives</li> </ul>	TBD TBD Ricardo Calderon
16:15 -16:45	Concluding remarks: 10 min each + time for Q&A <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wrap-up of 2025 Annual Meeting and 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of NAPPO</li> <li>49th NAPPO Annual Meeting Announcement</li> </ul>	Trujillo Ramírez y Ramírez
16:45	Session Close, Announcements	Bolduc
18:30 – 21:30	Dinner and Awards – Grand Salon	

## Thursday, October 23 – SYMPOSIUM – Grand Salon

### *Exploring Artificial Intelligence in Plant Protection: Risks, Rewards, and Realities*

#### Background

The symposium on Artificial Intelligence (AI) will bring together government, industry leaders, and experts to explore the transformative role of artificial intelligence in protecting plant resources and the environment while facilitating safe trade. The event will begin by examining the definition of AI, ensuring a shared understanding among participants. Experts will discuss AI applications in the field of plant protection, while addressing concerns around bias, security, and legal frameworks. Industry stakeholders will showcase real-world AI implementations, highlighting both opportunities and risks in their fields. The symposium will also feature breakout sessions to facilitate discussions on potential work and project collaborations within the NAPPO region, fostering cross-border partnerships and innovation. This event aims to strengthen collaboration between policymakers and industry to ensure AI-driven plant protection is ethical, effective, and resilient.

Time	Topic or activity	Speaker
9:00 – 9:10	Overview of symposium goals, structure, and expectations for discussions	Bolduc
9:10-9:25	Keynote guest speaker	TBD
9:25-9:35	Slido survey on AI concepts	Bolduc/Staffen
9:35 – 10:05?	Foundational discussion on AI concepts (what is AI)? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Demystifying AI</li> <li>- The AI spectrum in regulatory work</li> <li>- Data: The Foundation of AI in Plant Protection</li> <li>- From Models to Decisions: The Regulatory Context</li> </ul>	Noureddine Meraihi (CFIA AI Laboratory)
10:05- – 10:30	Key challenges and considerations including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Security risks in AI Powered Plant Protection</li> <li>- Legal and regulatory concerns</li> <li>- Technical Limitations of Current AI Technologies</li> <li>- Addressing bias in AI models</li> </ul>	TBD
10:30 – 11:00	<b>Coffee/Tea + Networking – Grand Salon</b>	
11:00 – 11:45	Overarching guidance for member countries <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Presentation from Canada – FASTER?</li> <li>- Presentation from United States</li> <li>- Presentation from Mexico</li> </ul>	TBD TBD TBD
11:45 – 12:00	Presentations from NAPPO member countries on current uses of AI in NPPOs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Canada – Nacet Seed ID</li> </ul>	Dr. Ruoqing Wang
12:00 – 13:30	<b>Lunch</b>	
13:30 – 14:00	Presentations from NAPPO member countries on current uses of AI in NPPOs cont... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- United States</li> <li>- Mexico</li> </ul>	TBD TBD
14:00 – 14:45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- AU container project</li> <li>- <a href="#">Artificial Intelligence transforms the fight</a></li> </ul>	Jessica May (AU) OIRSA

	<a href="#">against Fusarium Tropical Race 4 of banana in Mesoamerica )</a> - Presentation from EPPO	EPPO
14:45 – 15:15	Break-out discussion - What are some of the greatest challenges you are faced with in your day-to-day work? - Do you think any of these challenges could be alleviated by an AI solutions? - Do you think NAPPO member countries collaborate on any of these AI projects?	ALL
15:15 – 15:45	<b>Coffee/Tea + Networking – Grand Salon</b>	
15:45-16:30	How is industry is harnessing artificial intelligence and changing the face of agriculture and plant protection - Presentation from Canada - Presentation from U.S. - Presentation from MX?	TBD TBD TBD
16:30-17:00	Summary of break out discussions and next steps. - Second Slido – The future of AI in plant protection	Trujillo/Côté
17:00 – 17:15	Closing remarks	
17:15	Session Close, Announcements	Bolduc
18:00 – 19:30	<b>BILATERAL – closed meeting –</b>	

## Activities After the Meeting

### Friday, October 24

8:30 – 12:00	Logistics Office break-down/ NAPPO Logistics and Organizers Team Meeting – closed meeting – <b>Bytowne</b>
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