



# NAPPO

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

## NAPPO Conference Call Report

Expert Group:	ISPM-25 Guidance	
Location:	Zoom videoconference	
Date:	September 30, 2020	
Chairperson:	Brendon Reardon (APHIS-PPQ)	
Participants:		
Wendy Asbil (CFIA)	Christine Villegas (CFIA)	Shelah Morita (APHIS-PPQ)
Erin Stiers (APHIS-PPQ)	Annaliese Blecha (CBP)	Neftali Reyes (SENASICA)
Allan Schepens (Canada Industry)	Michael Tamilia (Canada Industry)	John Ercolani (US industry)
Evan Moss (US Industry)	Nedelka Marín-Martínez (NAPPO)	Alonso Suazo (NAPPO)
<b>Summary</b>		
Project:	Standardization of responsibilities and actions for safeguarding consignments that have transited one NAPPO country to enter another NAPPO country.	
Item 1:	Review, amend and accept the conference call agenda.	
Consensus:	<p>The Chairperson suggested to add the following discussion point to the agenda: “Define the processes for the recommendations to move forward with phase 2 of the project proposal and define project deliverables”.</p> <p>The agenda was accepted with the additional discussion point added.</p>	
Item 2:	General comments on the draft document	
Consensus:	<p>The Chairperson:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Encouraged EG members to review the draft and provide comments / feedback for discussion during the next conference call.</li> <li>• Asked the TD about the mechanisms used by NAPPO to share information and collaborate with EG members. The TD informed the EG that several platforms have been used by NAPPO including Google Drive and a web-based portal but are no longer an option due to security concerns. The information exchange and collaboration are done via email.</li> <li>• Indicated that US NPPO experts expressed concerns about the document because the purpose of the guidance document is not clear, and the objectives are not in a logical order.</li> <li>• Suggested that the EG develops a report documenting the need for a guidance document on how to implement ISPM</li> </ul>	

	<p>25 in the NAPPO region and determine whether the guidance document is needed. The TD indicated that it was not necessary to develop such report because the information is already included in the original project proposal submitted to NAPPO. It was also noted that the EG discussed the justification of guidance document during the first two introductory conference calls and indicated that harmonized communication and contingency plans, dealing with non-compliance issues specially with non-compliance issues of non-regulated commodities were some of the points mentioned to justify the guidance document. Language outlining the justification of the guidance document in the introduction was also suggested as an option to consider.</p> <p>Other comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Industry members suggested to take into consideration the inclusion of compliance with ISPM 15. This has been an issue with the rail industry.</li> </ul>	
Item 3:	Draft outline of the guidance document.	
Consensus:	<p>The Chairperson:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Encouraged all EG members to provide comments on the draft outline</li> <li>• Asked the EG members to examine what components of the draft outline can be addressed in the guidance document.</li> <li>• Described the different parts of the draft outline shared with the EG and made remarks and comments to each section.</li> <li>• Indicated that the EG should: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Define the roles and responsibilities of stakeholders in the export, in-transit and import countries. A flowchart was suggested as an option to present this information.</li> <li>○ Define the communication roles, especially in non-compliance situations.</li> <li>○ Determine the deliverables and tasks associated with each objectives of the project.</li> <li>○ Define the objectives and how they are connected to the NAPPO strategic plan</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
<b>Next Steps</b>		
<b>Responsible Person</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Date</b>
EG members	Provide additional comments on the draft outline for discussion during the next conference call.	
<b>Next Meeting</b>		
Location/Lugar:	Zoom meeting (video conference)	
Date/Fecha:	November 5, 2020 from 1:00-2:30 pm EST	

<b>Proposed Agenda Items</b>
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