



# 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	
Location:	Zoom meeting - videoconference	
Date:	November 30, 2020	
Chairperson	Lisa Lafontaine (CFIA)	
Participants:		
Ifi Chafy (CFIA)	Greg Rosenthal (APHIS-PPQ)	Heather Curlett (APHIS-PPQ)
Beatriz Martínez Reding (SENASICA)	Victor Hugo Rodríguez Díaz (SENASICA)	Karen Stephany Miranda (SENASICA)
Nedelka Marín Martínez (NAPPO)	Alonso Suazo (NAPPO)	
<b>Summary</b>		
Project:	NAPPO International Year of Plant Health	
General comments:	<p>The TD:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Welcomed the EG and thanked them for joining the call.</li> <li>• Accepted to take notes and write the conference call report.</li> </ul> <p>EG members approved the agenda as presented.</p>	
Item 1:	Updates from the NAPPO Secretariat	
Consensus:	<p>The TD informed the EG that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Comments provided by the AMC on the latest article on ISPM 15 have been addressed and both versions of the article have been uploaded into the EG webpage.</li> <li>• Thanked the EG for the work.</li> </ul>	
Item 2:	Update on the “Seed health” article	
Consensus:	<p>Gregg Rosenthal provided the following update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The AMC provided comments on the article. All comments were addressed including the request to remove the information regarding the ToBRFV from the article as requested by the AMC.</li> <li>• The new version of the article will be resubmitted to the AMC for confirmation that changes were properly addressed and for the AMC to respond to specific requests from the EG.</li> </ul>	
Item 3:	January 2021 article update	
Consensus:	Mexico agreed to draft the January 2021 article. EG members from Mexico indicated they will consult with their AMC member for possible topics and will inform the EG when that information will be available.	
Item 4:	“Green buildings initiative” and country updates	

Consensus:	<p>The Chairperson informed that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• They received comments suggesting that it is essential to let the public know about the importance of lighting the buildings in green (the public should differentiate this activity from other activities like the St. Patrick day). Social media outlets were considered as an option to raise awareness and provide information to the public. EG members from Mexico shared their experience when promoting the IYPH activities in Mexico using social media channels. Mexico also indicated the photo contest was a success and the best pictures were displayed on the “Avenida Reforma”. Proposed timeframe for the “greenlight illumination” project was suggested for May 2021 but the EG needs to agree on a specific date. Mexico indicated they will need to get confirmation on the exact date from the EG to submit the requests and proper notifications to the corresponding agencies in MX.</li> </ul> <p>Gregg Rosenthal informed that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The US indicated they are still working on the different aspects of the green building initiative and will keep the EG informed with the latest updates.</li> <li>• PPQ has been writing monthly articles and publishing them in their newsletter (PPQ today). The November-December article was dedicated to plant health issues and the pandemic.</li> <li>• PPQ is using the #IYPH2020 and #planthealth to promote and inform about IYPH activities organized by PPQ. Gregg Rosenthal inquired about the extension of IYPH to 2021 and how the #IYPH2020 will be affected to avoid confusion with the public. The chairperson indicated she will contact the IPPC regarding this issue.</li> </ul>	
Other subjects:	Miscellaneous and round table discussions	
Consensus:	February 2021 article. The chairperson suggested to write the February 2021 article on “Forest Pests” and volunteered to draft the document. The publication of this article will coincide with Canada’s forest pest management forum which is scheduled to take place in February 2021. During this forum, CFIA Director of the Science branch will provide a keynote address on the IYPH.	
<b>Next Steps</b>		
<b>Responsible Person</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Date</b>
EG members from Mexico	Notify to the EG the subject for the January 2021 article.	
Gregg Rosenthal	“Clean” Seed health article for translation and uploading into the EG webpage.	
Lisa Lafontaine	Contact IPPC regarding possible changes in the #IYPH2020.	
<b>Next Meeting</b>		

Location:	Zoom Meeting - Videoconference
Date:	January 12, 2021 from 1:30-2:30 pm EST
<b>Proposed Agenda Items</b>	
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