



**NAPPO**

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

**2022 Report from the Secretariat on achieving the objectives of the 2022-2026 Strategic Plan**

This report specifically links NAPPO 2022 Work Program deliverables to the six goals and sub-goals of the recently approved 2022-2026 Strategic Plan.

The Executive Committee is invited to:

1. *Note* the report
2. *Review the report for accuracy*
3. *Comment* on the adequacy and continuation of this reporting format
4. *Use the report* to further inform new project prioritization decisions

2022-2026 Strategic Plan - Goal		
1. Protect North American plant resources, including the environment, from the introduction and spread of regulated plant pests		
Sub-goal	In 2022	Future projects/activities
a. Use risk/science intelligence to identify and verify offshore threats (specific pests, traditional and non-traditional trade pathways, or both) that may impact the NAPPO region.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New Science &amp; Technology document on <i>Contaminating organisms affecting trade of forestry commodities</i> was approved by the NAPPO EC on 03/08/2022.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Waitlisted project on other high risk Lymantriids moving in trade into North America from high-risk areas.</li> <li>• Waitlisted project on development of an e-commerce module.</li> </ul>
b. Apply a harmonized regional approach for phytosanitary measures by coordinating safeguarding initiatives (where appropriate), developing science-based standards and other strategic documents, and providing a framework/mechanism for implementing them.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>See 1a.</i></li> <li>• Updating the <i>citrus greening NAPPO Discussion Document</i> with the latest science and regulatory approaches in the U.S. and Mexico to harmonize management approaches for the pathogen and its vector.</li> <li>• Update RSPM 26 - <i>Certification of commercial arthropod BCAs or non-Apis pollinators moving into NAPPO member countries</i>. A full review is required</li> </ul>	

	<p>to determine its continued value and consider its feasibility, as well as consider (as applicable and appropriate) any updates that would best meet its objectives and current needs (e.g., inclusion of nematodes).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continuing work on the guidance document for ISPM 25 - <i>Standardization of responsibilities and actions for safeguarding consignments that have transited one NAPPO country to enter another NAPPO country.</i></li> <li>• Continue work on the RSPM 35 - <i>Guidelines for the movement of Stone and Pome Fruit Trees and Grapevines into a NAPPO Member Country – Arthropod Pest Tables.</i> Even though RSPM 35 was approved on 03/09/2022, the arthropod pest tables for pome and stone fruit and for grapevines <u>are still being reviewed by the EG</u>; once completed, they will be attached to RSPM 35 as ink amendments.</li> <li>• Finalized ring test and data collection/upload for the multi-laboratory multi-protocol <i>pilot for harmonization of diagnostic protocols for seed pathogens focused on ToBRFV.</i></li> <li>• English and Spanish versions of the <i>Risk-Based Sampling Manual – Part II</i> were published on the NAPPO website – they support the implementation of ISPM 23 and 31.</li> </ul>	
<p>c. Address the impacts of climate change by collaborating with the IPPC, NPPOs, and RPPOs, and consider how NAPPO can play a role in mitigating its impact on plant health and pests.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NAPPO facilitated the Plenary Session on Day 2 of the International Plant Health Conference in London entitled <i>Climate Change and the Impacts on Plant Health – 09/2022.</i></li> <li>• The 45<sup>th</sup> NAPPO Annual Meeting will have a day-long Symposium on <i>The Impacts of climate change on plant health – 10/2022.</i></li> </ul>	
<p>d. Continue enhancing the NAPPO pest reporting</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Twenty Official Pest Reports (none from Canada, 18</li> </ul>	

<p>system to ensure prompt notification of new pest interceptions that pose a risk to our region, which may facilitate a timely coordinated response by two or more NAPPO member countries, where appropriate.</p>	<p>from the U.S. and 2 from Mexico) for the North American region have been posted on the NAPPO Phytosanitary Alert System and uploaded to the IPPC website to meet the pest reporting obligations for our region – to 10/2022.</p>	
<p>e. Support intra-regional cooperation on transboundary pest activities for pests that affect two or more NAPPO member countries, as appropriate.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Administrative support on transboundary pest programs affecting two or more NAPPO countries. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Eradication of boll-weevil from the state of Tamaulipas, Mexico.</li> <li>• Develop management tools (mating disruption, sterile insect technique, etc.) for box tree moth.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
<p><b>2. Facilitate safe trade on the basis of science-based regional standards and harmonized phytosanitary measures</b></p>		
<p><i>Sub-goal</i></p>	<p><i>In 2022</i></p>	<p><i>Future projects/activities</i></p>
<p>a. Develop priority regional standards and other documents, based on the latest scientific and technical information.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Goal 2 subgoals a. and b. are specifically addressed every time the NAPPO AMC and EC review and prioritize new project proposals submitted for consideration by NAPPO stakeholders.</i></li> <li>• <i>See updates reported in Goal 1.</i></li> <li>• <i>Finalized/signed USMCA, CUSMA, T-MEC letter of understanding with NAPPO.</i></li> </ul>	
<p>b. Conduct a regular/periodic review of the phytosanitary measures' framework for the NAPPO region to identify new priorities and existing gaps and determine which standards and other documents, procedures, or practices should be developed, maintained, updated, or archived.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>See updates reported in Goal 1.</i></li> </ul>	
<p>c. Assist NAPPO member countries and key trading partners in interpreting regional and international standards and promoting their implementation (for example, the use of systems approaches) through the development of manuals, workshops,</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Continuing work on the guidance document for ISPM 25 - Standardization of responsibilities and actions for safeguarding consignments that have transited one NAPPO country to enter another NAPPO country.</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Planned modules or workshops on e-commerce</i></li> </ul>

	and training materials, as appropriate.	
d.	Assist NAPPO member countries, as appropriate, in presenting and discussing the technical information to avoid or settle a phytosanitary dispute.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The AMC is in the process of revising and updating the documents on the NAPPO Dispute Settlement Process.</li> </ul>
e.	Assess the successes and challenges in the implementation of regional standards to adjust them to changing global conditions.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>See updates reported in Goal 1.</li> </ul>
f.	Standardize diagnostic protocols in the NAPPO region.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Finalized ring test and data collection/upload for the multi-laboratory multi-protocol <i>pilot for harmonization of diagnostic protocols for seed pathogens focused on ToBRFV</i>.</li> </ul>
g.	Exchange information on alternatives to methyl bromide (MeBr) and cooperate by sharing scientific developments on suitable alternatives for phytosanitary use.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N/A – future subgoal for NAPPO.</li> </ul>
h.	Support the global implementation of ePhyto and electronic data exchange.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NAPPO has a permanent Expert Group that supports North American activities towards ePhyto.</li> <li>The GICSV also has a WG on ePhyto where NAPPO and the other 4 RPPOs in the Americas discuss and promote implementation of ePhyto.</li> </ul>
i.	Support the development of harmonized traceback procedures by NPPOs in the region to inform compliance with phytosanitary measures in trade among NAPPO member countries.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N/A – future subgoal for NAPPO.</li> </ul>
<b>3. Promote and maintain active industry and stakeholder engagement in NAPPO activities</b>		
	<i>Sub-goal</i>	<i>In 2022</i>
a.	Work with industry and stakeholders to identify changing industry practices and consumer preferences to better understand how these may influence phytosanitary activities in the NAPPO region.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Industry stakeholders form part of the Industry Advisory Group and participate in eight NAPPO Expert Group.</li> <li>Used stakeholder 2021 survey to develop Agenda for the 45th NAPPO Annual Meeting</li> <li>Use 2022 post virtual meeting survey for next steps</li> </ul>

	on modality/approach for the 46 <sup>th</sup> NAPPO Annual Meeting	
b. Solicit and encourage industry and stakeholder input into the NAPPO annual Work Program.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ongoing activity supported by the IAG in cooperation with the AMC and the NAPPO Secretariat.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Discussion paper on approaches to re-strengthen the involvement of the IAG/broader industry in NAPPO processes.</li> </ul>
c. Engage industry and stakeholders through active representation in NAPPO Expert Groups, as appropriate, to ensure that their viewpoints are considered in the development of NAPPO products.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ongoing activity supported by the IAG in cooperation with the AMC and the NAPPO Secretariat.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Discussion paper on approaches to re-strengthen the involvement of the IAG/broader industry in NAPPO processes.</li> </ul>
d. Adopt other practical approaches to continue fostering an active dialogue and partnership with industry and stakeholders on plant protection and regulatory harmonization issues.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ongoing activity supported by the IAG in cooperation with the AMC and the NAPPO Secretariat.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Discussion paper on approaches to re-strengthen the involvement of the IAG/broader industry in NAPPO processes.</li> </ul>
<b>4. Contribute leadership in the international phytosanitary community</b>		
<i>Sub-goal</i>	<i>In 2022</i>	<i>Future projects/activities</i>
a. Present and promote the use of NAPPO regional standards, including commodity standards, as models for new IPPC standards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Linking several NAPPO products/webpages to IPP Phytosanitary Systems pages.</li> </ul>	
b. Promote the development of IPPC materials (e.g., standards, guides) important to NAPPO member countries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Risk-based sampling guide is being developed at the IPPC level.</li> </ul>	
c. Identify emerging plant health policy issues from outside the region which can potentially affect NAPPO member countries and consider the need for action	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NAPPO Phytosanitary Alert Systems publishes Emerging Pest Alerts.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nomination of NAPPO ED to represent the RPPOs in the Pest Outbreak, Alert and Response</li> </ul>

		System Steering Group.
d. Support and partner with the IPPC Secretariat on strategic initiatives and activities important to NAPPO member countries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Risk-based sampling guide is being developed at the IPPC level.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Future e-commerce module or workshop when e-commerce guide is published by the IPPC.</li> </ul>
e. Collaborate and demonstrate leadership among Regional Plant Protection Organizations (RPPOs) including through the Inter-American Coordinating Group in Plant Protection <sup>1</sup> (GICSV, because of its Spanish acronym)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Active involvement and coordination (for biennium 03/21 – 02/23) of the six Working Groups (WG) of the Interamerican Group for Cooperation in Plant Protection (GISCSV, because of its acronym in Spanish). NAPPO reports on progress by these WGs three times per year as part of NAPPO governance meetings.</li> </ul>	
f. Design and deliver events (workshops, webinars, symposia) and materials that ensure consistent interpretation and implementation of regional and international standards and related resources, as appropriate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N/A</li> </ul>	
g. Collaborate, as appropriate, with other regional, hemispheric, and international organizations that have a supporting or complementary role to NAPPO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>See 4e.</li> </ul>	
<b>5. Promote and maintain the robust scientific and technical basis of NAPPO activities</b>		
<i>Sub-goal</i>	<i>In 2022</i>	<i>Future projects/activities</i>
a. Provide a forum for the timely exchange of scientific and technical information that may come from NAPPO member country governments and relevant organizations and consider its use or implementation, as appropriate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Webinars on <i>Risk-Based Sampling</i> and on <i>Remote Sensing for Management of Orthopteran Pests</i> offered in 02/2022 under the auspices of the GICSV.</li> <li>English and Spanish versions of the <i>Risk-Based Sampling Manual – Part II</i> were published on the NAPPO website – they support the implementation</li> </ul>	

<sup>1</sup> More information on GICSV can be found on the [NAPPO Website](#)

<p>b. Strengthen partnerships with research, scientific and other organizations to garner broader support for NAPPO objectives and activities through participation, speaking engagements, and NAPPO advocacy at various scientific conferences and meetings</p>	<p>of ISPM 23 and 31.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NAPPO represents all ten regional plant protection organizations (RPPOs) on the IPPC Implementation and Capacity Development Committee (IC). Several virtual meetings took place in 2022 and a face-to-face meeting is scheduled for 11/2022.</li> <li>• Ongoing engagement with the European and Mediterranean Plant Protection Organization (EPPO) – attendance/participation in their Phytosanitary regulations Meeting – 06/2022.</li> <li>• Invited virtual presentation on seed issues in NAPPO to the Seeds Canada Annual General Meeting – 06/2022.</li> <li>• Presentation on NAPPO Work Program to the National Plant Board – 08/2022.</li> <li>• IPPC Regional Workshop in Latin America – virtual presentation on the activities of the six Working Groups as well as of the Coordination Committee of the GICSV (Inter-American Group for Collaboration in Plant Health) – 08/2022.</li> <li>• Invited presentation on seed issues in NAPPO to the Seed Association of the Americas Congress in Uruguay – 09/2022.</li> <li>• Virtual and face-to-face meetings of the Technical Consultation among Regional plant Protection organizations (TC-RPPO). There we report on the challenges and deliverables of NAPPO, and we highlight opportunities for collaboration with other RPPOs.</li> <li>• 45<sup>th</sup> NAPPO Annual Meeting.</li> <li>• Video on Sea Containers from the World Shipping Council as part of the content of the 45<sup>th</sup> NAPPO Annual Meeting.</li> </ul>	
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## 6. Continue improving NAPPO communication and outreach

<i>Sub-goal</i>	<i>In 2022</i>	<i>Future projects/activities</i>
<p>a. Demonstrate and communicate to stakeholders the relevance and importance of NAPPO’s work in protecting plant resources to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Senior leaders and other regulatory officials in each member country</li> <li>ii. Industry</li> <li>iii. Other stakeholders, including the general public</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NAPPO website and newsletters in March, July, and November</li> <li>• Numerous NAPPO email announcements/notifications to all stakeholders – work program, Annual Meeting, new documents, etc.</li> <li>• <i>See 6b.</i></li> </ul>	
<p>b. Continue building confidence and fostering trust on phytosanitary measures among stakeholders in NAPPO member countries</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>See 6a.</i></li> </ul>	
<p>c. Facilitate communication and strategic coordination among industry sectors of North America to address challenges and take advantage of opportunities to protect plant health</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• N/A – <u>but this area needs careful attention</u></li> </ul>	
<p>d. Consider the use of innovative communication mechanisms and platforms to disseminate information</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• N/A</li> </ul>	