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**MEXICO - USA - CANADA**

## NAPPO Panel Report

<b>Panel Name:</b>	<b>Forestry Panel</b>	
Location:	Pacific Forestry Centre (Natural Resources Canada), Victoria, BC, Canada	
Date:	March 5-6, 2013	
Panel Chair:	Shane Sela, Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA)	
<b>Participants:</b>		
Eric Allen Natural Resources Canada	Faith Campbell The Nature Conservancy	Chuck Dentelbeck Canadian Lumber Standards Accreditation Board
Edgar Deomano National Wooden Pallet and Container Association	Gustavo Gonzalez, Secretaría de Medio Ambiente y Recursos Naturales	John McDaniels American Lumber Standard Committee Inc
Tyrone Jones, (APHIS, PPQ)	Doug Warner Alaska Dept. Natural Resources/U.S. National Plant Board	Ian McDonell, NAPPO
Brian Zak, Canada Wood		
<b>Summary</b>		
Issue 1:	Applicability of the current standards for heat treatment for wood products	
Consensus:	<p>Eric Allen circulated a paper in early February but limited comments were received. The Panel proposed that these sort of guidance documents are useful for national plant protection organizations (NPPOs) and as such should be published and follow a similar process as regional standards. Ian McDonell advised that NAPPO is currently reviewing the various forms of adopting NAPPO documents.</p> <p>Panel members agreed to provide comments by March 31<sup>st</sup> 2013. The paper will then be sent to the International Forest Quarantine Research Group for review.</p>	
Issue 3:	Revised import requirements for the entry of sawn wood to Mexico (NOM-016-2013)	

Consensus:	Gustavo Gonzalez indicated that NOM-016-2003 had been revised. The new NOM will come into force 120 days following its publication on March 4 <sup>th</sup> 2013. The NOM removes requirements for import permits but requires all sawn wood to be bark free, treated and enter Mexico accompanied by a phytosanitary certificate. Sawn wood will be inspected at entry and the option of post-entry treatment will not be permitted. Untreated wood and logs may be permitted entry based upon import permits. It was noted that Mexico is willing to enter into separate bilateral arrangements, provided a specific request is made. Mexico has provided for delayed implementation to address bilateral arrangements.
Issue 4:	Emerald Ash Borer Technical Advisory Group (TAG)
Consensus:	Faith Campbell reported that the TAG is nearing completion of a guidance document on the use of biological controls. She noted that Canada is relying on U.S. production of biological control agents for the EAB, a situation which can not be sustained.  The panel encouraged the TAG to develop recommendations, in particular with respect to the effective use of the controls.
Issue 5:	Draft agenda for a workshop on the implementation of ISPM 15:2009
Consensus:	Ian McDonell noted that the workshop preparations are underway with the Asia and Pacific Plant Protection Commission (APPPC). A steering committee has been established consisting of members from both regions. The steering committee is still working out the details of a location for the meeting.  The panel spent the majority of the meeting drafting an agenda, and organizational details of the workshop. The document is attached as Appendix 1.

### Next Steps

Responsible Person	Action	Date
Panel members	Provide comments on the heat treatment paper to Eric Allen	March 31, 2013
Eric Allen	Provide comment summary and finalized paper to Panel Chair	April 15, 2013
Eric Allen	Contact the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources to investigate a biocontrol rearing facility in Canada.	June 2013
Shane Sela	Possible conference call on the heat treatment paper	April 20, 2013
Shane Sela	Update panel on ISPM 15 workshop	June 15, 2013
Ian McDonell	Clarify processes for the publication of various types of NAPPO documents.	October 2013

### Next Meeting

Location:	TBD
Date:	Fall/Winter - 2013/2014

## **Appendix 1: ISPM 15 Implementation Workshop**

### **1. Objective**

Share experiences among countries in North America and Asia regarding implementation of ISPM 15 in order to reduce the number of non-compliance and minimize pest risk

### **2. Structure**

- Proposed 2-3 day workshop
- Presentations by NPPOs, RPPOs and industry from both regions
- Facilitated breakout sessions among participants to discuss appropriate solutions
- Plenary sessions potentially divided between all industry, all NPPO/RPPO and combined sessions based upon topic specifics
- Steering Committee to identify appropriate speakers and facilitators from NAPPO, APPPC, industry, NPPOs, IPPC (Brent)
- Location: Asia

### **3. Target audience**

- NPPOs
- Border agencies [linked to APPPC survey]
- packaging associations
- exporter associations
- freight/cargo forwarders
- exporters
- importers
- embassy staff
- government-owned corporations
- appropriate decision-maker/authority

### **4. Communicating the workshop**

- NAPPO-APPCC to send invitation letters to embassies so that they can engage with NPPOs/industry in local offices
- Focus high risk exporters
- Communicate the workshop broadly with industry
- Products from the workshop should facilitate further outreach (government/industry/international)
- Communicate the benefits of attending: “better understanding of how to improve access without border issues”

## 5. Proposed Agenda

Agenda Topic	Detailed concepts to be covered	Delivery approach
Principles of plant quarantine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Basic information on ISPM 1 linked to overall purpose of plant quarantine</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Presentation</li> <li>– Need to identify speaker beforehand</li> </ul>
What is ISPM 15?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Basic understanding of the standard</li> <li>– Regulated commodities (pallets, crates, boxes, dunnage, etc.)</li> <li>– How to implement the various components of ISPM 15</li> <li>– Scientific basis of the treatments</li> <li>– Technical and practical implementation of the treatments marking system</li> <li>– Options for program delivery [third-party]</li> <li>– Control of the ISPM 15</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Presentation &amp; break out sessions</li> <li>– Need to identify speakers beforehand</li> </ul>
Country experiences in implementing ISPM 15 and developed countries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– What is working and not working</li> <li>– Approaches for inspection [frequency, sampling rate, etc.]</li> <li>– Types of non-compliances</li> <li>– What does non-compliance mean?</li> <li>– Reports by developing countries</li> <li>– Cover import and export?</li> <li>– How are non-compliant WPM slipping through NPPO border systems</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Presentation then break out sessions then report to plenary, need for a facilitator</li> <li>– Need to include forestry, quarantine, regulatory, industry, etc. perspectives</li> <li>– Need to define process for addressing solutions</li> <li>– Need to identify speakers beforehand</li> </ul>
Analysis of interceptions based on WPM type	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Risks based on commodity</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Presentation – Bob Haack, Joe Cavey, APPPC, NAPPO coordination</li> <li>– Need to identify person or group to collect and collate data/information</li> </ul>
Enforcement (sanctions)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– How to use these tools to facilitate compliance on imports and exports</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Small group discussions and reporting back?</li> <li>– Needs guidance for the small groups</li> </ul>

Non-compliance notification	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Timeliness</li> <li>– Information required for trace back and trace forward</li> <li>– Minimum information requirements for regulatory and industry</li> <li>– Type of WPM involved</li> <li>– Diagnostics (pest ID)</li> <li>– Reporting back</li> <li>– Shipping info (invoice, bill of lading, manifest, exporter, certification number, additional marks, photos)</li> <li>– Report on corrective action</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Presentation, break out sessions</li> <li>– Dialog around on how to get appropriate information</li> </ul>
Best practices for improving compliance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Development of a tool kit to improve compliance</li> <li>– Options to address individual country concerns [regulation]</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Could be achieved through small group discussions and reporting back to plenary</li> </ul>

#### 6. Tools for measuring the success of the workshop and carrying forward results

- How many and who attended the workshop
- The workshop should provide a report to the IPPC with sound recommendations for improving compliance
- Do the participating countries see reductions in interceptions (e.g. reduced frequency of detections of non-compliance, etc.)
- The Workshop should result in the development of a contact list which permits NPPOs to engage with the appropriate industry and to disseminate further information

#### 7. To-Do List

- Develop pre-workshop materials (CD, USB stick)
- Prepare and send out invitations
- Identify workshop location and infrastructure: hotel accommodation, workshop venue (conference facility)
- Develop website
- Briefing for Embassies to support invitations
- Identify Secretariat
- Identify speakers, prepare presentations
- Identify funding or sponsorship