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NAPPO Conference Call Report

Expert Group:	Revision of RSPM 38	
Location:	Zoom meeting	
Date:	July 27, 2020	
Chairperson		
Participants:		
Arvind Vasudevan (CFIA)	Shamina Maccum (CFIA)	John Tyrone Jones II (APHIS-PPQ)
Jason Allen (APHIS-PPQ)	Greg Helmbrecht (WI Dept. of Ag.)	María Eugenia Guerrero Alarcón (SEMARNAT)
Gustavo Hernández (SEMARNAT)	Brad Gething (US industry)	Stephanie Bloem (NAPPO)
Patricia Abad (APHIS-PPQ)	Nedelka Marín-Martínez (NAPPO)	Alonso Suazo (NAPPO)
Project:	Revision of NAPPO's Regional Standard for Phytosanitary Measure 38 (RSPM 38) <i>Importation of certain wooden and bamboo commodities into a NAPPO member country</i>	
General comments:	The ED thanked EG members for joining the call	
Item 1:	Summary from previous conference call	
Consensus:	<p>Following a brief introduction, the ED provided a summary of the most relevant points discussed during the previous conference call:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EG agreed to nominate and select a Chair and Vice-Chairperson. • EG will review RSPM 38 <i>Importation of certain wooden or bamboo commodities into a NAPPO member country</i> to identify and consider points of relevance to discuss. • Identify additional documents for the revision of RSPM 38 and share them with the EG <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Specification of the international standard for this same topic. A copy from the IPPC could not be obtained because the specification is still a work in progress. ○ Copy of the IPPC expert working group report working on the specification. ○ Document developed by the NAPPO Pest Risk Analysis panel on this topic. ○ Translation of document with expert group deliberation. ○ List of pests intercepted in bamboo products. 	

Item 2:	Election of Chair and Vice-Chair.	
Consensus:	John Tyrone Jones (APHIS-PPQ) was elected Chairperson. Arvind Vasudevan (CFIA) and Gustavo Hernández (SEMARNAT) were nominated as Vice-chairperson. Both Arvind and Gustavo indicated that they will have to consult with their supervisors and will provide an answer to the Secretariat in the next call. The decision to have one or two Vice-chairs will be made in the next conference call.	
Item 3:	Proposal to review RSPM 38	
Consensus:	<p>Points to consider for the revision of RSPM 38. The ED suggested to consider the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Re-evaluate the risk assessment of indoor furniture. • Additional phytosanitary treatments annexes adopted at CPM in 2018 related to the fumigation of wood with Sulphuryl fluoride (for insects and nematodes): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Annex 22 ○ Annex 23 • ISPM 39 <i>International movement of wood</i> • Two new standards for fumigation and temperature treatments as phytosanitary measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ ISPM 42 <i>Requirements for the use of temperature treatments as phytosanitary measures.</i> ○ ISPM 43 <i>Requirements for the use of fumigation as a phytosanitary measure.</i> <p>Other points for consideration for the revision of RSPM 38 include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reconsider re-evaluating bamboo based on most up to date pest interception data. • Type of notification to use (phytosanitary certificate or other type of documentation). • Product labeling. • Need to define in RSPM 38 what kind of products (furniture) will be included. A list is available in RSPM 38, but consideration should be given to include more details in the list. • Find balance between specific commodities (for example rustic and processed wood furniture). • Clear definitions provided in the standard (rustic, primary processed furniture, processed furniture etc.) • The Chairperson indicated that the group should share a list of relevant definitions and regulations to consider for the revision work of RSPM 38. • Interception data used by the NAPPO Forestry EG for a science and technology document on “wood contaminant pests” can be very useful for the revision of RSPM 38. 	
Next Steps		
Responsible Person	Action	Date

EG members.	Provide a list of relevant terms and regulations for RSPM 38 to the Secretariat. The Secretariat will translate and share the information with the EG.	
Gustavo Hernández and Arvind Vasudevan	Confirm with the NAPPO Secretariat their authorization to serve as Vice-chairs of the EG.	
Next Meeting		
Location:	Zoom meeting	
Date:	August 24 from 1:00-2:30 pm EDT.	
Proposed Agenda Items		
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