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Annual Meeting
Ottawa, Ontario, Canada
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Delta Hotel Ottawa City Centre

Activities Prior to the Meeting

Sunday, October 19

08:30 – 12:00	Logistics Office Set-up/ NAPPO Logistics and Organizers Team Meeting – closed meeting – **Bytowne**

Monday, October 20

09:00 – 17:00	NAPPO Management Team Meeting (EC, IAG and AMC) – closed meeting – **Chaudière**
14:00 – 17:00	**Participant registration – Lobby**
18:30 – 21:30	**Welcome reception – Pinnacle**

Tuesday, October 21

8:00 – 17:00	**Participant registration – Foyer of Grand Salon**	
NAPPO member countries only – CONCURRENT Government and Industry Meetings		
8:30 – 9:30	Government Meetings by Country • Canada - Chaudière • United States – Grand Salon • Mexico - Cartier	
8:30 – 9:30	Industry Meetings by Country, with NAPPO Chief Scientist, Dr. Javier Trujillo, to join each for 10 minutes • Canada - Laurentien • United States – Capitale • Mexico - Seigniory	
9:30 – 10:00	**Photographs and coffee/tea break – Foyer of Grand Salon**	
NAPPO member countries only – COMBINED Government and Industry Meetings		
10:00 – 11:00	Government/ Industry Meetings by Country • Canada - Chaudière • United States - Grand Salon • Mexico - Cartier	
11:00 – 12:30	**Lunch (on your own)**	
11:00 – 12:30	NAPPO Forestry ISPM 15 EG meeting - York	
PLENARY – Grand Salon		
12:30- 12:40	Welcome and ground rules	Jean François Bolduc
12:40 – 12:45	Opening remarks from the CFIA	Chris Moran
12:45 – 13:00	Opening remarks from the Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food	Heath MacDonald
13:00 – 13:10	Opening remarks from the NAPPO EC Chair	Steve Côté
13:10 – 13:30	The importance of plant protection in Ontario region	Hannah Fraser
13:30 – 13:55	Welcome and updates from the NAPPO Secretariat	Javier Trujillo
13:55 – 14:10	IPPC Secretariat Report	Enrico Perotti
14:05 – 15:00	NAPPO Country Government Reports – 15 min each + 10 min Q&A • Canada • United States • Mexico	Anthony Anyia Matt Rhoads Francisco Ramírez y Ramírez
15:00 – 15:30	**Coffee/Tea + Networking – Foyer of Grand Salon**	
15:30 – 16:25	NAPPO Country Industry Reports – 15 min each + 10 min for Q&A • Canada • United States • Mexico	Andrew Morse Brad Gething Mario Puente
16:45	Session Close, Announcements	Bolduc
17:30 – 18:30	*U.S. Canada BILATERAL – closed meeting – Cartier*	

Wednesday, October 22

PLENARY – Grand Salon		
9:00 – 9:10	Announcements and ground rules	Bolduc

9:10- 10:00	NAPPO Contributions at the IPPC – 45 min + time for Q&A
	• Standards Committee updates
	  ○ Commodity standards
	  ○ Call for topics
	• Implementation Committee updates
		Steve Côté & Stephanie Dubon
		
		Dominique Pelletier

10:00-10:20	NAPPO collaboration with other Regional Plant Protection Organizations (RPPOs) – 15 min + time for Q&A	Javier Trujillo
10:20 – 10:45	**Coffee/Tea + Networking – Foyer of Grand Salon**	
10:45 – 11:40	Knowledge topic 1 – Plant Health Learning Resources – 45 min + 10 min for Q&A • IPPC Plant Health Campus • NAPPO training and other resources • Clean Plants – Industry training tools and resources • IPPC systems approach tool	Barb Peterson Alonso Suazo Jaime Aalbers Dominique Pelletier
11:40 – 12:15	NAPPO work program in 2025 – 30 min + time for Q&A • Overview and ToBRFV • Phytosanitary Alert System (PAS)	Alonso Suazo Alexander Blain
12:15 – 13:45	**Lunch (on your own)**	
13:45 – 14:30	NAPPO work program continued - 40 min + time for Q&A • Alternatives to Methyl Bromide • Revision of RSPM 8 • *Phtheromaea absoluta* (*Tuta absoluta*)	Bob Baca Alexandra Graham Julie Paillat
14:30-15:15	Forestry – 40 min + time for Q&A • Forestry Water Bath Heat Treatment (15 min) • ISPM 15 Compliance (15min) • USDA APHIS forestry database (10 min)	Brad Gething Tyrone Jones Jon Daniels
15:15 – 15:40	**Coffee/Tea + Networking – Foyer of Grand Salon**	
15:40– 16:10	Knowledge topic 2 – Regulated Non-Quarantine Pests – 25 min + time for Q&A • Overview of RNQPs (15 min) • RNQPs in Mexico (5 min) • Slido (5 min)	Bruno Gallant Ángel Ramírez Bolduc/Staffen
16:10 – 16:45	NAPPO work program cont. – 30 min + time for Q&A • Update from eCert EG on ePhyto (15 min) • Revision of RSPM 26 (10 min) • Revision of RSPM 26 - Industry perspectives (5 min)	Christian Dellis Bruno Gallant Hugo Arredondo Bernal
16:45 -17:00	Concluding remarks: • Wrap-up of 2025 Annual Meeting and 50th Anniversary of NAPPO • 49th NAPPO Annual Meeting Announcement	Javier Trujillo Francisco Ramírez y Ramírez
17:00	Session Close, Announcements	Bolduc
17:15 – 18:30	*Mexico U.S. BILATERAL – closed meeting – Cartier*	
18:30 – 22:30	**Dinner and Awards – Grand Salon**	

Thursday, October 23 – SYMPOSIUM – Grand Salon

Exploring AI in Plant Health: Risks, Rewards, and Realities

Background

The symposium on Artificial Intelligence will bring together government, industry leaders, and experts to explore the transformative role of artificial intelligence in developing and protecting plant resources while facilitating safe trade. The event will begin by examining the definition of AI, ensuring a shared understanding among participants. It will also address concerns such as bias, security and legal frameworks. Experts will present AI applications in forestry, agriculture and plant protection. Industry stakeholders will showcase examples of AI, highlighting the risks and benefits involved. The symposium will also feature breakout sessions to facilitate discussions on potential work and project collaborations within the NAPPO region, fostering cross-border partnerships and innovation. This event aims to strengthen collaboration between policymakers and industry to ensure AI-driven plant protection is ethical, effective, and resilient.

Time	Topic or activity	Speaker
9:00 - 9:10	Overview of symposium goals, structure, and expectations for discussions	Jean François Bolduc
9:10 - 9:20	AI vs Pests	NotebookLM
9:20 - 9:30	Slido	Bolduc/Tanya Staffen
9:30 - 10:00	Foundational discussion on AI concepts	Noureddine Meraihi
10:00 – 10:45	Case studies – 40 min + time for Q & A - Presentation on how U.S. is using AI - AU container project - Agriculture Canada research on using artificial intelligence in agriculture	Thomas Anneberg Jessica May Etienne Lepage
10:45 – 11:10	**Coffee/Tea + Networking – Foyer of Grand Salon**	
11:10 – 11:40	Overarching guidance - Presentation from Canada - Presentation from the United States	Jonathan Macdonald Kellyn Babbitt
11:40 – 12:10	Case studies - How Mexico is using AI - Global guidance for NAPPO countries with respect to the use of AI on plant health	María Guadalupe Galindo Mendoza Ángel Ramírez
12:10 – 12:30	Considerations for using AI in regulatory decision-making	Angela Murray & Cheryl Corbett
12:30 – 14:00	**Lunch (on your own)**	
14:00 - 14:50	Case studies - Presentation from Canada - Nachet Seed ID - AI's role in biological pest management - Artificial Intelligence transforms the fight against Fusarium Tropical Race 4 of banana in Mesoamerica)	Logan Calkins & Ruojing Wang Ishtiaq Rao Martin Agenor & Sergio Márquez (OIRSA)
14:50 – 15:30	- Break-out discussion on challenges and potential collaboration	ALL
15:30 – 16:00	**Coffee/Tea + Networking – Foyer of Grand Salon**	
16:00 -16:55	Case Studies - Presentation from NZ	Lisa Winthrop
	- Cultivating Intelligence - AI-Powered Decision Science for Sustainable Agriculture	Patricio La Rosa

16:55 -17:10	Summary of breakout discussions and next steps	AMC/Bolduc
17:10 – 17:15	Closing remarks	Javier Trujillo/Steve Côté
17:15	Session Close, Announcements	Bolduc

Activities After the Meeting

Friday, October 24

8:30 – 12:00	Logistics Office break-down/ NAPPO Logistics and Organizers Team Meeting – closed meeting – **Bytowne**