

# Implementation Plan

## 1. Name of Standard

RSPM 34, Guidelines for the Development of Phytosanitary Treatment Protocols for Arthropod Pests of Fresh Fruits or Vegetables

## 2. Country Reporting

**United States**

## 3. Relevant Authority

3.1 Current Authority Identify which current authority covers or partially covers the standard

- A. Legislative Authority – Yes
- B. Regulatory Authority – Yes

The phytosanitary treatments regulations contained in 7 CFR part 305 set out general requirements for conducting treatments indicated in the Plant Protection and Quarantine (PPQ) Treatment Manual for fruits, vegetables, and articles to prevent the introduction or dissemination of plant pests or noxious weeds into or through the United States. Recognition of new treatments to be added to the Treatment Manual is done through rule making in the Federal Register. New treatments are approved based on analysis and review of submitted treatment protocols and treatment data to the Treatment Quality Assurance Unit of the PPQ Center for Plant Health Science and Technology. The analysis and review of submitted treatment data is based on the best available science.

3.2 Revisions to authority identify any revisions to existing authority which are required in order to comply with the standard.

None needed

## 4. Obtaining Authority to Adopt the Standard

Provide a brief description of the process required to revise existing authority or draft new authority, as appropriate. Identify the most critical activities and the estimated dates for completion.

No changes needed

## 5. Implementation of Standard

The conditions in this standard can be implemented immediately.