



**NAPPO**

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

**NAPPO Conference Call/Meeting Report**  
**Informe sobre conferencia telefónica/ reunión de la NAPPO**

Expert Group/Grupo de Expertos:	Seeds	
Location/Lugar:	Teleconference and Momentum Telecom	
Date/Fecha:	Thursday, August 18, 2016	
Chairperson/Presidente	Christina Devorshak, APHIS-PPQ	
Participants/Participantes:		
Christina Devorshak, APHIS-PPQ	Jean-Francois Dubuc, CFIA	Alonso Suazo, NAPPO
Angela McMellen-Brannigan APHIS-PPQ	Noe Demetrio Sanchez, SENASICA	Stephanie Bloem, NAPPO
Dean Komm, APHIS-PPQ	Stephan Briere, CFIA	Janine Maruschak, CFIA
<b>Summary/Resumen</b>		
Project /Proyecto:	Seeds	
General comments/ Comentarios generales:	Welcome new member; thanks to EG for submitting comments to outline; should Chair add the comment and resubmit the outline or some other way of working?	
Item 1/ Asunto 1:	Should Chair add the comment and resubmit the outline or some other way of working?	
Consensus/Decisiones:	All agree with the approach	
Item 2/ Asunto 2:	<p>Any issues or problems – Mexico – no; question from Janine – are we looking at developing an RSPM or another type of document? Answer – a discussion document giving guidance to someone wanting to develop a treatment for seeds; Example – disease that is occurring on seed; someone wants to know how to go about establishing a phytosanitary treatment for that seed – requirements might include testing a statistically significant number of seeds to establish the level of efficacy for that treatment</p> <p>Follow-up question from Janine – would company then be able submit the treatment for consideration by NAPPO?</p> <p>Answer - We wouldn't be asking companies to submit treatments to NAPPO but they could work with their NPPO to agree on things being considered for that treatment</p>	
Consensus/Decisiones:	<i>Rest of EG in agreement</i>	

Item 3 / Asunto 3:	<p>History – NAPPO developed and adopted its own RSPM on movement of seed within NAPPO countries – one of the things to consider is treatments.</p> <p>Problems - no agreement on concepts – how to develop or approve treatments for seeds – need a document to guide this work – have a discussion of the concept</p> <p>Does this clarify? Yes</p> <p>Stephan – what is the end product? Where are we going with this?</p> <p>Answer - Premature to aim for development of another RSPM – this is a complicated area that requires careful thought/discussion that we as experts can provide – key concepts that need to be considered (concerning phytosanitary treatments) to be used for the safe movement of seeds between countries – <i>Noe is in agreement</i></p> <p>Anything else you have in mind? Concept list? Outline was intended to serve as this list – treatment feasibility, for example</p> <p>Question from Jean-Francois– what more beyond ISPM 28 as guidance?</p> <p>Dean – treatment expert; Christina - areas where development of treatments for seeds needs more guidance?</p> <p>Dean – not too many treatments for seeds have been developed – spinach seeds a few years ago</p> <p>EG chair - No guidance for countries or companies on how to treat seed that results in phytosanitary protection – what test to run – for particular pathogens moving on seed</p>
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Consensus/Decisiones:	
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**Next Steps/Próximos pasos**

<b>Responsible Person /Responsable</b>	<b>Action/Acciones</b>	<b>Date/Fecha</b>
EG Char	Will work on addressing comments and revising document – will send to Secretariat for translation; Secretariat will distribute to EG	ASAP

**Next Meeting/Próxima Reunión**

Location/Lugar:	Conference call + webinar
Date/Fecha:	Sept. 22, 2016 at 11 am EST; 10 am Mexico time for 1 ½ hours

**Proposed Agenda Items/Asuntos Propuestos**

1. Review edits to the document
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2. Discuss additional ideas from EG on what to include as guidance in the discussion document
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3. Discuss Annual Meeting EG presentation
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