

NAPPO Conference Call Report

Expert Group:	Revision of RSPM 35 - Guidelines for the movement of stone and pome fruit tree and grapevines into a NAPPO member country.	
Location:	Zoom meeting	
Date:	June 24, 2020	
Chairperson	Sarah Brearey (CFIA)	
Participants:		
Allison Gratz (CFIA)	Anna-Mary Schmidt (CFIA)	Shelah Morita (APHIS-PPQ)
Yilmaz Balci (APHIS-PPQ)	Stephanie Bloem (NAPPO)	Patricia Abad (APHIS-PPQ)
Maher Al Rwahnih (UC Davis)	Nicolas Martínez (SENASICA)	Mike Willet (US industry)
Randi Jimenez (CDFA)	Craig Regelbrugge (US industry)	José Torres (SENASICA)
Patrick Shiel (APHIS-PPQ)	Isabel Celis (SENASICA)	Nedelka Marín-Martínez (NAPPO)
Alonso Suazo (NAPPO)		
	Summary	
Project:	Revision of RSPM 35 – Guidelines for the movement of stone and pome fruit tree and grapevines into a NAPPO member country.	
Item 1:	Updates from the NAPPO Secretariat.	
Consensus:	 The ED informed the EG that the revised ISPM 8 (<i>Pest status in an area</i>) was not adopted by the IPPC in March 2020 because of rescheduling of CPM-15 possibly to March 2021 due to the recent pandemic. Adoption of the standard which is needed to continue the updates of pest tables in RSPM 35 can only be done at CPM despite efforts to find alternative options by the IPPC bureau. The ED suggested to: Use the existing terminology of the current version of ISPM 8 for the pest table updates of RSPM 35. Make ink amendments in the pest table terminology of the revised RSPM 35 following the adoption of the revised ISPM 8 in 2021. 	
	US members expressed concerns about this approach because the experts have already been instructed to use the new terminology in ISPM 8. Reverting the work to use the current terminology of ISPM 8 will results in considerable additional efforts.	

	 The Chairperson suggested not to stop the work that has been done in updating the "Pest category" terminology and indicated the update should be made based on pest references. This approach will help facilitate the update of pest tables and continue the revision work. The EG agreed that it is not practical to ask the analysts (scientist) to reclassify based on the old version of ISPM 8. The EG agreed with the Chairperson proposal to continue with the revision work using the revised ISPM 8 terminology. The revised tables will use the original terminology for pest categorization in ISPM 8. The new terminology of the revised ISPM 8 will be incorporated when the revised standard is adopted. 	
Item 2:	Updates from the virus sub-group meetings- Allison Gratz (CF	·IA)
Consensus:	 Allison Gratz provided a quick update. Subgroup considered US recommendation to remove viruses with known causal agent associated but no Koo postulate verified. Include virus in the table if it has a reference but is not included in the ICTV. Subgroup will meet every three weeks to work on the virus table updates. Subgroup discussed the option of reviewing the list on periodical basis. The TD indicated that an option for thi group is to have the group review the virus tables or ar other pest table in RSPM 35 periodically once the projet is completed. Factors to consider for the frequency and periodicity of these reviews include the frequency into which new pest species are reported (higher in viruses than insects), prioritization of the pest tables, biological relevance and economic importance of new pest specie and NPPO resources. The Chairperson suggested to p together a document/guideline with recommendations a include this language in the revised RSPM 35 documer Subgroup also discussed to include the selection criter used to include a species in the table and consider usin this approach for the other pest tables (standardize). E members volunteered to put a draft document (general guideline) together for the virus pest. The EG should al consider the ISPMs and the definitions of pest. A propot to have the subgroup develop this guideline for the virus pest and later shared with the EG was well received. 	a s yect d es out and nt. ed ium G so psal
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Responsible Person	Action Date	

Virus subgroup	Develop a draft document on the criteria used to include virus pests in the pest table of RSPM 35. The document will be sent to the Secretariat for translation and shared with the group for discussion.	
	Next Meeting	
Location:	Zoom meeting	
Date:	August 19 from 1:00-2:30 pm Eastern Time.	
	Proposed Agenda Items	
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