### Expert Group:
Forestry Systems Approach

### Location:
Conference call

### Date:
April 5, 2018

### Chairperson
Eric Allen (NR Canada)

### Participants:
- Steve Côté (CFIA)
- Nancy Furness (CFIA)
- Meghan Noseworthy (NR Canada)
- Sara Cabrera (SEMARNAT)
- Norma Patricia Miranda (SEMARNAT)
- Faith Campbell (US industry)
- Brad Gething (NWPCA)
- Patricia Abad (PPQ)
- Rajesh Ramarathnam (CFIA)
- Stephanie Bloem (NAPPO)
- Nedelka Marin-Martinez (NAPPO)
- Alonso Suazo (NAPPO)

### Summary

**Project:** Develop an RSPM on the use of systems approaches to manage pest risks associated with the movement of wood.

**General comments:**
The objective of this conference call is to discuss the changes suggested by the EC on the standard and the integration of the standard with the ExD as an Appendix.

**Item 1:**
Welcome notes from the Chairperson and the ED

**Consensus:**
The Chairperson thanked Meghan Noseworthy for the work done on the explanatory document and compiling the documents comments from the reviewers.

Norma Patricia Miranda, a new EG member introduced herself to the group.

Following a brief introduction, the group discussed the ExD as an appendix within the standard or a separate document raising the following ideas:

- the explanatory documents and appendices are kept separate from the standard in the IPPC world.
- the authors of the appendices, not the IPPC, are responsible for their content
- keeping the ExD with the standard gives the document more weight and support from NAPPO
- one of the highlights of the explanatory document is that it provides a series of pest management options (comment...
from the EC committee meetings) that can provide measures for a forest systems approach

- the position of the EC is for the group to consider incorporating the ExD as an appendix
- An EG member suggested to accept the direction agreed by EC members and incorporate the ExD as an Appendix
- Corrections of the appendix can be done in the future without EC approval because it is not officially an integral part of the standard as opposed to an Annex.
- Concerns that such a long document will be placed as an appendix.

The ED indicated that all points addressed are important but that the group should move forward with the decision from the EC to incorporate the ExD as an appendix in the standard.

The group agreed to incorporate the ExD as an appendix and to do it in a way that it will not change the content of both the standard and the appendix. Changes will be made to the document to reflect the incorporation of the ExD as an appendix

**Item 2:** Changes to RSPM 41

**Consensus:**

Comments on the standard provided by the EC were discussed by the group and changes were incorporated after reaching a consensus. Terms without an official IPPC definition were left unchanged, for example “traceability” or “tracking”.

**Item 3:** Next steps

**Consensus:**

- Get feedback on the comments made by researchers on the explanatory document (See table with comments provided by Meghan Noseworthy)
- Comments can be added to the document in google docs.
- Schedule another call to see how the group will incorporate the comments/suggestions on the ExD
- Integrate the ExD with the Standard
- As soon as the documents are ready (changes and editorial work), the document can go to country consultation

### Next Steps

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**Next Meeting**

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**Proposed Agenda Items**

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