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

NAPPO Conference Call Report

Expert Group:	Revision of RSPM 9	
Location:	Conference call	
Date:	November 8, 2019	
Chairperson	María del Rocío Hernández (SENASICA)	
Participants:		
Sharon Berthelet (CFIA)	Sarika Negi (APHIS PPQ)	Geoffrey Dennis (APHIS PPQ)
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Summary

Project:	Revision of RSPM 9 <i>Authorization of laboratories for phytosanitary testing</i>	
General comments:	<p>Concerns were raised about the use of the terms “laboratory” and “entity” in the first draft of the revised RSPM 9. The use of these terms was confusing and broadened the scope of the standard. Broadening the scope of the standard was an issue of concern to Mexico. Following a brief discussion, the EG agreed to provide the language to use in the next conference call. It was agreed that this language should be aligned with the definitions available in the IPPC (ISPM 5) and NAPPO (RSPM 5 and other RSPMs).</p> <p>The NAPPO ED also expressed concerns about the use of the terms “phytosanitary activities” in the title and suggested to the EG to consider other options for the title. The EG also agreed to provide optional language for the title in the next conference call.</p>	

Next steps

Responsible Person	Action	Date
EG members	Provide the language and the justification for the appropriate terminology to use in the revision of the RSPM 9 document (<i>Laboratory</i> or <i>entity</i> and options for <i>phytosanitary activities</i> in the title).	

Next Meeting

Location:	Conference call
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Date:	December 13, 2019 from 11:00 am to 12:00 noon EDT
Proposed Agenda Items	
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