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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: <i>Authorization of laboratories for phytosanitary testing</i>	
Location:	Conference call	
Date:	April 24, 2018	
Chairperson	To be nominated and selected in the next conference call	
Participants:		
Stephanie Morrow (CFIA)	Janine Maruschak (CFIA)	Sarika Negi (APHIS PPQ)
Geoffrey Dennis (APHIS PPQ)	Robert Carr (US Industry)	María del Rocío Hernández (SENASICA)
Patricia Abad (APHIS PPQ)	Rajesh Ramarathnam (CFIA)	Stephanie Bloem (NAPPO)
Nedelka Marín-Martínez (NAPPO)	Alonso Suazo (NAPPO)	
Summary		
Project:	Revision of RSPM 9: <i>Authorization of laboratories for phytosanitary testing</i>	
General comments:	First conference call with the EG. General introduction and description of project objectives.	
Item 1:	Welcome remarks by the NAPPO ED and TD and approval of meeting agenda	
Consensus:	The NAPPO ED and TD welcomed the group and asked for additional items to add to the agenda. The agenda was approved. Following the agenda approval, The TD asked all participants to introduce themselves by providing their names, affiliations and a brief description of their professional background.	
Item 2:	Objective of the project, structure and organization of the EG and resources provided by NAPPO	
Consensus:	<p>The NAPPO TD provided information about the EG, the project and NAPPO as follow:</p> <p>Expert Group:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The activities of the EG are coordinated by the EG Chairperson • The Vice Chairperson will take the responsibilities of the chairperson when the chairperson is not available. • The Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson will be nominated and selected during the next conference call • EG members should also coordinate their activities with 	

	<p>the AMC members of their NPPO who serve as a liaison between the EG and the NAPPO Secretariat (Rajesh Ramarathnam and Dominique Pelletier for Canada, Patricia Abad for the US and Ana Lilia Montealegre for MX)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EG prepares a presentation to provide updates of their work at the NAPPO annual meeting • During a conference call, the EG selects a rapporteur to take notes and draft a conference call report. The report is sent to the NAPPO Secretariat for translation and to upload into the NAPPO webpage <p>The project:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Most of the work will be conducted through conference calls but other options are also available including interactive real time collaborative platforms (Google Docs and Momentum Telecom) and face to face meetings • The project objective is to provide a review of RSPM 9 based on new information available. RSPM 9 was last reviewed in August 2009 • The ED encouraged the group to add documents relevant to the project in the group’s Google Drive folder • The TD indicated that a copy of the standard in English and Spanish will be placed in the group’s folder in Google drive and encouraged the group to provide comments • The TD indicated that support material will be shared with the group to provide the guidelines on using the group’s Google Drive folder <p>The NAPPO Secretariat:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provides logistic support for the EG to carry out the project • Translate documents for the EG in both English and Spanish to make them available to the EG • Organize and schedule conference calls and face to face meeting
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Next Steps

Responsible Person	Action	Date
NAPPO Secretariat	Put a copy of RSPM 9 in the group’s Google drive folder	ASAP
NAPPO Secretariat	Share documents on how to use Google Docs and the guidelines to use Google Docs	ASAP
EG members	Provide comments in the RSPM 9 document in Google Docs	
EG members	Discuss nominations for Chair and Vice-Chairperson	As needed

EG members	Add files of interest to the project in the group's Google Drive folder	
NAPPO Secretariat	Send Doodle poll for next conference call	ASAP
Next Meeting		
Location:	Conference call	
Date:	End of May- A Doodle poll will be sent to the EG.	
Proposed Agenda Items		
1. Select Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson		
2.		