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# Progress Report 2018 Khapra Beetle Expert Group A North American Approach to Preventing Entry , Establishment an Spread of Khapra Beetle in Various Pathways

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## **Objectives and Deliverables**

#### Objectives:

- Evaluate each NAPPO country's current regulatory approach to khapra beetle detection and response to identify similarities, differences and gaps.
  - Feasibility of harmonizing our approach with khapra beetle.
  - Identify issues complicated by current trade practices and seek potential solutions.
  - Identify common mitigation approaches in countries where khapra is established.

#### Deliverables:

- Discussion document produced by the group that outlines approaches taken by NAPPO countries to prevent introduction and establishment of khapra.
- 2. Identification of data gaps and research needs where they may exist

## Progress during 2018

- Face to face meeting in June in Raleigh, NC
- Draft completed (July 2018)
- Document sent for country consultation (August 2018)
- Comments received from industry and NAPPO
- Document currently awaiting revision to incorporate comments
- Goal to finalize document in November/ December 2018

### Khapra Beetle Discussion Document Highlights

- Pest biology why khapra beetle is important for NAPPO
- Outline of the regulatory framework in each NAPPO country
- Overview of khapra beetle threats to NAPPO member countries
- Current approaches to khapra beetle management in the NAPPO region
- Recommendations and next steps for alignment and collaboration among NAPPO countries



### Conclusions, next steps for 2018

- Incorporate comments into document
- Submit document to NAPPO Executive Committee for approval
- Publish document to NAPPO website as an information document
- Promote the document with interested stakeholders
- Consider follow-up projects based on discussion document recommendations