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# Progress Report: 2016 Khapra Beetle Expert Group

North American Approach to Preventing Introduction, Establishment and Spread of Khapra Beetle in Various Pathways

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**Objectives:** 

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

Deliverables:

1. Discussion document produced by the group that outlines approaches taken by NAPPO countries to prevent introduction and establishment of khapra beetle.

## Progress during 2016

- Initial meeting in May 2016, 3-4 subsequent teleconferences.
- Outline produced and approved.
- Rough draft discussion document "North American Approach to Preventing Introduction, Establishment and Spread of Khapra Beetle in Various Pathways".



### Conclusions, next steps or proposed activities for 2017

- Finalize discussion document.
- Send out to agency and subject matter experts for external review.
- Revise and publish document to support NAPPO efforts.
- Evaluate additional NAPPO country collaborative efforts that may improve our detection, exclusion and control efforts for khapra beetle.

