

IMPLEMENTATION OF RSPM NO. 24: INTEGRATED PEST RISK MANAGEMENT MEASURES FOR THE IMPORTATION OF PLANTS FOR PLANTING INTO NAPPO COUNTRIES.

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Goals of RSPM No. 24

- “Prevent introduction & spread of **quarantine** pests imported with plants for planting”
- Reduce risk of **other** pests possibly associated with plants for planting
- Facilitate trade within North American Plant Protection Organization (NAPPO) region
- - Effective Oct. 16, 2005

Implementation of RSPM No. 24 – Quarantine-37 (Q-37)

- Revision and modification of 7 CFR 319.37 regulatory policy will be accomplished in a multi-year project using a **phased** approach
- Modifications to Q-37 will be implemented through rulemaking and notices, both involving public comments

Sequence of Rulemaking Documents

* Advanced Notice of Proposed Rulemaking



Proposed Rule



Final Rule

* Optional

Q-37 Proposed Rules

- Proposed Rule 1: Not Authorized Pending Pest Risk Analysis (NAPPRA)
- Proposed Rule 2: Regulatory Systems Approach protocol (RSAP) and Q-37 Restructure and Consolidation
- Proposed Rule 3: Controlled Import Permits (CIP)

Q-37 Proposed Rule 1- NAPPRA

- Creates NAPPRA with 2 components:
 - Host Plants
 - Pest Plants
- Criteria for listing
- Establishes scope of regulation
- Followed by notice to 'list' plants not currently imported
- Proposed rule published winter 2008/2009

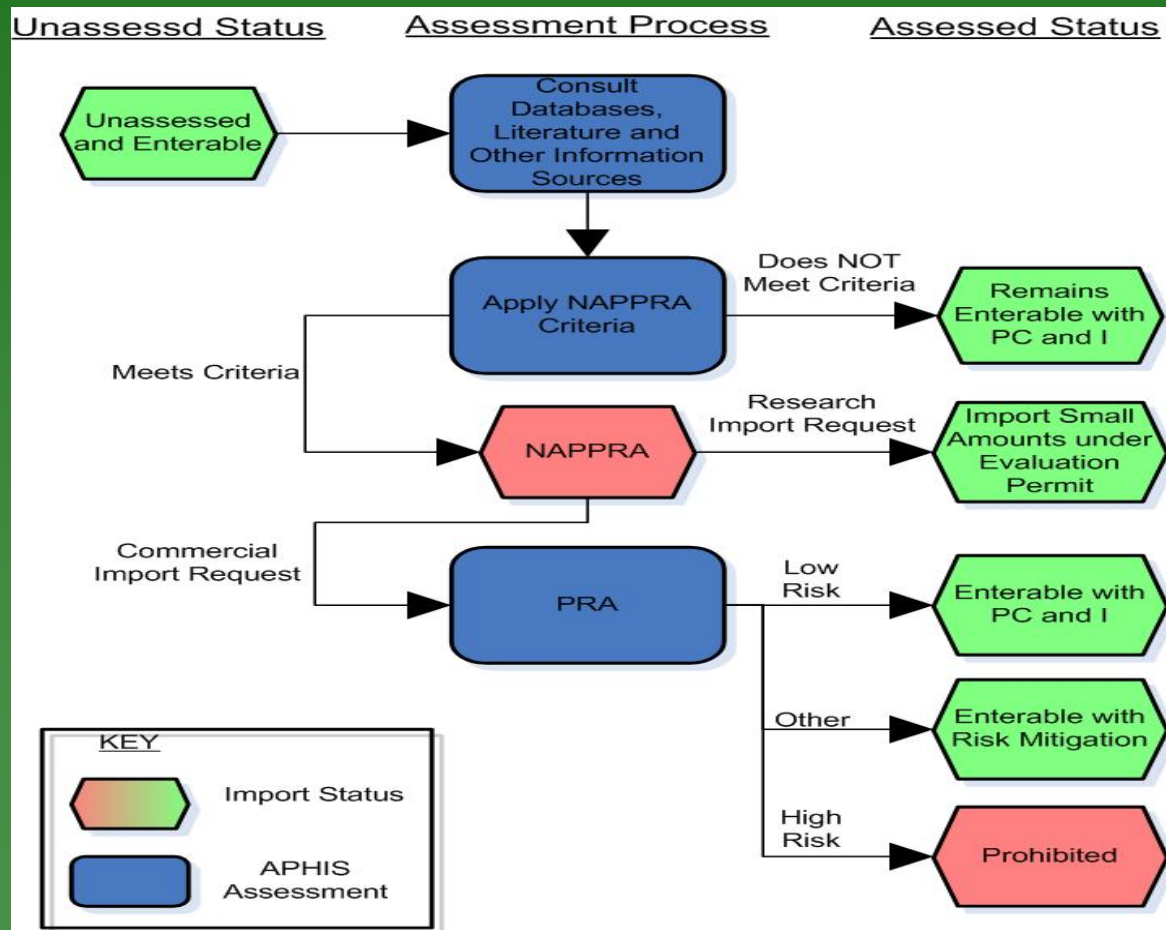
NAPPRA Criteria – Host Plants

- Pest ID is established
- Pest meets definition of International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC) quarantine pest
- Determine area in which the pest is present
- Determine plant host range of pest
- Determine parts of host that can serve as pathway

NAPPRA Criteria – Pest Plants

- Plant identification
- Meets Plant Protection Act (PPA) definition of noxious weed
- Meets IPPC definition of a quarantine pest
 - a. Not yet present in the area endangered thereby, or
 - b. Present but not widely distributed and under or being considered for official control

NAPPRA Process



Q37 Proposed Rule 2 – Regulatory Systems Approach Protocol (RSAP) Plus

- Establishes performance standards for RSAP
- Reorganizes Q-37
- Consolidates other plants for planting into Q-37

What is a Regulatory Systems Approach Protocol (RSAP)?

- Mandatory import requirements, which manage the pest risk in the exporting country, i.e. **offshore**
 - RSAPs are similar to clean stock programs

Specifically RSAPs are based on:

- RSPM No. 24
- International Standard for Phytosanitary Measures (ISPM) No. 14
- Quarantine pests identified in Pest Risk Analysis (PRA)
- Industry practices

RSAPs Include

- **Production practices**
 - Pest-free mother stock
 - Isolation of introduced plant material
 - Pest management practices
 - Treatments
 - Combination of above
- **Quality control**
 - Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs)
 - Recorded keeping
 - Training
 - Internal audits
 - Traceability

Development of RSAPs

- Collaborative effort between importing and exporting NAPPO countries,
 - Bi-lateral agreements
 - Work plans
- General principles based on
 - Regional Standards
 - International Performance Standards

Responsibilities

- **Exporting NAPPO**
 - Administration
 - Oversight
 - Enforcement
 - Internal auditing
- **Importing NAPPO**
 - External auditing
 - Communicating requirements
 - Actions for non-compliance
 - Notifying exporting country of non-compliance

Long Term Conceptual Goals

- Low risk precedented imports will be enterable with inspection and phytosanitary certificate
- High risk precedented imports will be prohibited or enterable under an RSAP
- Unprecedented imports will be subject to a streamlined risk analysis, including invasiveness screening

Plants for Planting Website

http://www.aphis.usda.gov/import_export/plants/plant_imports/Q37_revision.shtml

- White paper
- Meeting reports
- Federal Register notices



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