



INVASIVE ALIEN SPECIES

# Canadian Food Inspection Agency Update

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# Invasive Alien Species and Domestic Plant Health Programs

- Invasive plants program
- Asian gypsy moth program
- National Plant and Animal Strategy
- Cost recovery initiative





# Invasive Plants Program

- Continue to work with international and national partners on preventing the entry and spread of invasive plants.
- Current activities include:
  - The CFIA and Province of Ontario continue to implement the kudzu eradication plan
  - National surveys for invasive plants regulated as pests by the CFIA under the Plant Protection Act – in-field and around seed/grain importing facilities
  - Continue conduction risk analyses for potentially invasive plant species
  - Consultation on the *Arundo donax* Risk Management Document



# *Arundo donax* Risk Management Document (RMD) Consultation

- Interest in the import and commercial production of this potentially invasive plant for biofuel purposes
- Consulting on two regulatory options: *regulate under the Plant Protection Act* or *do not regulate*
- RMD is available on our website at:  
<http://www.inspection.gc.ca/plants/plant-pests-invasive-species/directives/risk-management/rmd-16-02/eng/1480113538475/1480113602164>
- Comment period open for 45 days and closes on **March 10, 2017**
- We encourage your feedback on the regulatory options for this species.





# Asian Gypsy Moth (AGM) Background

- Asian Gypsy Moth (AGM) is a regulated quarantine pest
- Absent from Canada but present in Japan, Russia, Korea and China
- Vessel certification program established (1992) following eradication programs in Canada and US
- Marine vessels linked to AGM introduction and are pathway most likely to introduce AGM



# Asian Gypsy Moth (AGM) Program

- CFIA and USDA-APHIS continue to collaborate on a common perimeter approach for AGM.
- Joint assessments are conducted in regulated countries (Japan, China, Far East Russia and South Korea).
  - Work collaboratively for continuous improvement.
- Chile has established an AGM program similar to Canada and U.S.
- Mexico is working toward establishing an AGM program for a fully North American approach to this pest.





# AGM Vessel Certification Program

- High level of compliance with AGM requirements  
From 2014 -2016
  - Compliance has continued to increase from year to year
  - Decrease in the number of vessels with AGM detected
  - Decrease in the maximum number of egg masses detected on a single vessel
- AGM Vessel certification program is lowering the risk to Canada

# The National Plant and Animal Health Strategy

2014

- Given the shared Federal-Provincial-Territorial (FPT) jurisdictional responsibility for agriculture, transformational change in plant and animal health required FPT collaboration
- FPT Ministers of Agriculture agreed to initiate work on an *Emergency Management Framework for Agriculture in Canada* (the Framework)

2015  
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2016

- FPT governments, led by the CFIA and Agriculture Canada, developed the Framework, undertaking extensive consultations among governments, industry and other stakeholders

2016

- Ministers endorsed the Framework in July
- The Framework positions Canada to enhance collaboration and improve approaches for prevention, preparedness, response and recovery in relation to emergency events
- Development of a national plant and animal strategy is a key deliverable





# A National Plant and Animal Health Strategy

- The strategy will improve the way Canada addresses risks to its plant and animal resources.
- The CFIA is facilitating collaborative development between federal, provincial and territorial governments, industry and other stakeholders who have a role in plant and animal health.

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# The National Plant and Animal Health Planning Forum – Dec. 6-7, 2016

*Agriculture ♦ Food Processors ♦ Horticulture ♦ Industry ♦ Aquaculture*

**168**  
participants  
*representing*  
**95**  
organizations

**33**

national industry  
associations

**9**

provincial government  
departments

**5**

universities

**10**

federal government  
departments

**13**

provincial industry  
associations

**4**

countries

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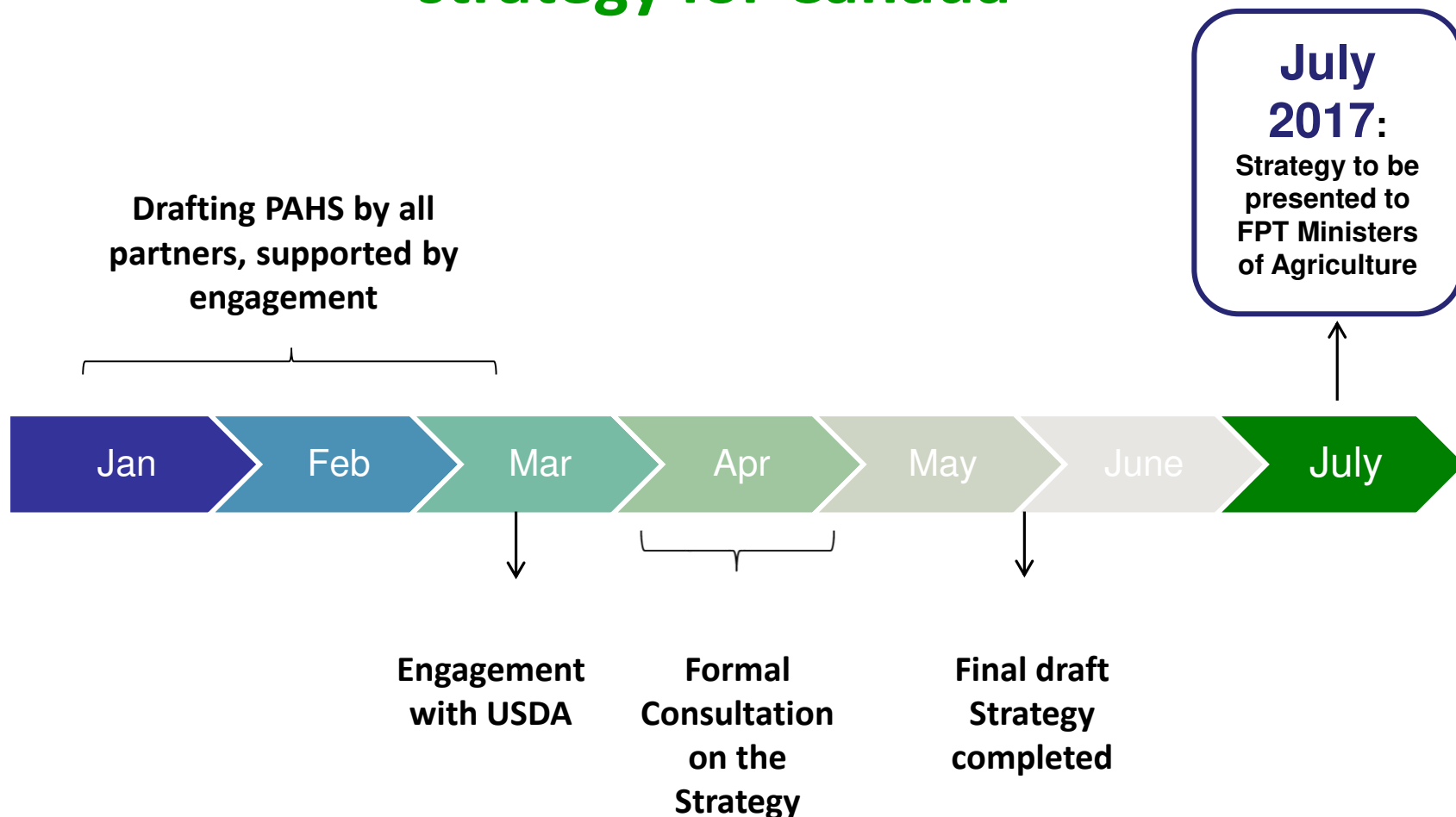
- 250 people joined virtually for the plenary session during the morning of the first day

**Twitter**

- 61 users tweeted 788 times using #CanPAH/#SVACan
- Potential reach of 419,576 people



# Phase II: Co-creating a plant and animal health strategy for Canada





# Cost Recovery Initiative

- CFIA is proposing to streamline and update its cost recovery program
- Our objectives are:
  - to support regulated parties in the food, plant, and animal sector with greater consistency in fees,
  - increased efficiencies and improve predictability in service delivery,
  - aligning fees to better reflect the current costs of delivering services.
- Phase 1: January 26 to March 31, 2017
  - proposed list of services that allows fees to be charged consistently for similar CFIA services
  - proposed service standards for CFIA services
  - level of cost sharing between regulated parties and taxpayers
  - impacts of potential fee increases on businesses





# Thank You!

## Comments, Questions?

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