



Outreach

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Media of the Week

*Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP) and Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP)
Members and Applicants as of January 10, 2022*



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Member Notices & Opportunities:

2022 Member Packet

2022 brings new opportunities and continued NAEGA service and support for our Members. Each member representative received an email with the Annual Member Meeting notice and membership invoice. If your company has not received the email please contact NAEGA staff as soon as possible. All dues and export volume fees are due by February 15, 2021.

NAEGA Annual Meeting –March 13-14, 2022 – Charleston, SC

NAEGA events are being planned for the 13th and 14th of March at the [Charleston Place Hotel](#) in Charleston, South Carolina and virtually via MS Teams. NAEGA member personnel and their guests are welcome to join without charge. [Please register yourself and your guests here](#) and indicate if attendance will be in person or virtually.

All NAEGA events are being planned to place alongside the [2022 NGFA Convention](#) on March 13-15 also at the Charleston Place Hotel. Thank you to NGFA for making meeting space available to us at the hotel. Our Annual Membership Appreciation Luncheon followed by meeting of the newly elected Board of Directors Meeting will take place on Monday the 14th. Committee Meetings and other very informative networking opportunities are being planned for Sunday afternoon (March 13th) and Monday morning.

To accommodate in person attendance, NAEGA is holding number of discounted rooms at the Charleston Place Hotel, please contact Patrick if you would like to reserve on of the NAEGA rooms.

If you'd like to attend the NGFA Convention and reserve a room via NGFA registration, please go to <https://imis.ngfa.org/convention>.

Contracts and Best Practices Seminars –Videos on Website

You can now view all or individual segments of the recently curated video from the seminar held on Wednesday, September 8, 2021. The recording of the session has been edited into two two-hour videos which have been posted to the NAEGA Member's Only website. Your comments about the utility of the digital content on the Website as well as advice and questions about the

NAEGA 2 Contract are welcome – please use this new email address for comments and questions: MemberQuestions@naega.org.

NAEGA seminars can be conducted in-person and / or virtually. Both in-person **private** (staff from only one company) and **public** (staff from two or more companies) are being scheduled in 2022. Given the strong attendance and interest from Members, we expect to hold another public virtual seminar in 2022.

The seminars are much valued NAEGA member service. The intensive and informative reviews of commercial and official practices include interaction with all participants. interactive .

Please let us know when, how and where you would like to participate in the NAEGA Contracts and Best Practice seminars. [Click here](#) for more information on the in-depth, interactive programs NAEGA conducts!

China Decrees 248, 249 & 177

The General Administration of Customs of China (GACC) enacted Decrees 248 & 249 on January 1, 2022. The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Foreign Agriculture Service (FAS) has circulated a list that of Harmonized System (HS) codes that GACC has published to its Single Window website that reportedly represent the scope of commodities covered by Decree 248. The list of HS codes and data cells has been updated by GACC several times over the past ten days and other changes are anticipated as GACC makes "system improvements" to the Single Window website. FAS has [made the list available here](#).

USDA FAS also reports that China has launched a [“Decree 248 Single Window Searchable Database and January 1 Shipment Information”](#). The report contains details on a searchable website GACC has created for users to check their registration status.

Grain and oilseed exporters registered with the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Federal Grain Inspection Service (FGIS), or those that are on the exempt from registration list, do not need to register their facilities with GACC. These registrations are covered under China's Decree 177, which supersedes Decree 248. NAEGA members who have not yet registered or applied for a waiver with FGIS for calendar year 2022 can do so here or see the article below.

USDA/FGIS Export Facility Registration

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Federal Grain Inspection Service (FGIS) [continues to accept registration](#) for the U.S. Grain Exporter Registration list and waiver requests for the 2022 calendar year. Exporters of grain from the U.S. who have yet registered with FGIS for 2022 are encouraged to do so as soon as possible. The registration list as of January 13, 2022 [is posted here](#). The U.S. Grain Standards Act requires registration for anyone engaged in the business of buying grain for sale in foreign commerce. The Act waives official inspection and weighing for exporters who export less than 15,000 Metric Tons (MT) of grain, on an individual elevator basis during the preceding calendar year, and plan to export less than 15,000 MT of grain during the current calendar year. Such exporters and individual elevator operators must request and receive a waiver from FGIS.

Registration and waiver requests are required annually and FGIS publishes official lists of U.S. companies and organizations registered or operating under waiver or exemption to buy, handle, weigh, or transport grain for sale in foreign commerce.

Individuals who handle, weigh, or transport grain for sale in foreign commerce also must register. These lists are shared with foreign governments upon request to assist U.S. grain movement in various markets.

Instructions on how to register or renew a registration as a grain or oilseed exporter, or apply for a waiver, are [available through this link](#).

Plant Biotechnology Information Exchange

The NAEGA Plant Biotechnology Information Exchange (PBIE) continues to be improved and updated. Your feedback is welcome!

Currently, only NAEGA members have access to this unique tool. As part of membership your company is allowed up to 5 unique users for the PBIE at no cost. To gain access NAEGA Member representatives send the names and email addresses of designated company users to Patrick at phayden@naega.org. Each designated person is provided unique login information and instructions on use of the platform. Please let us know if you have any questions!

U.N. Food Systems Summit

NAEGA's U.N. Food Systems Summit (UNFSS) Library has been updated to include documents and resources from the COP26 United Nations Climate Change Conference, including agricultural commodity companies' corporate statement of purpose.

The Library provides access to the official links to re-watch these statements when available and four collections of documents relevant to the UNFSS, collected ahead of the summit:

1. Modern agriculture and trade resources specifically mentioning UNFSS 2021
2. UNFSS Pre-Summit 26-28 July 2021 – resources and analysis
3. Background Library, tracking the origins of UNFSS Game Changers and other proposals
4. COP26 – 2021 United Nations Climate Change Conference

A comprehensive report on the development of the library and recommendations for future action have been posted on the [NAEGA Member's Only UNFSS](#) page along with background documentation on the project. NAEGA will continue to update the library and report on outcomes from the UNFSS and other initiatives related to food systems through the end of the year.

NAEGA members can access the Library [through this link](#) or through [the U.N. Food Systems Summit](#) page on the NAEGA website. If you have a NAEGA Member's Only website login, you should not have any issues accessing the site at its new address. If you need login credentials, or are having any trouble logging in, please let Patrick know.

Current & Ongoing Actions

China Biotechnology Approvals

The following soybean GMO varieties were renewed for import in China in 2021 for 5 additional years:

Crop	Event	OECD	Regulation Type	Initial Date	End Date
Soybean	DAS44406	DAS-44406-6	Import	12/17/2021	12/16/2026
Soybean	SYHT0H2	SYN-000H2-5	Import	12/17/2021	12/16/2026
Soybean	MON 87769	MON 87769-7	Import	12/17/2021	12/16/2026
Soybean	MON 87708	MON-87708-9	Import	12/17/2021	12/16/2026
Soybean	BPS-CV127-9	BPS-CV127-9	Import	12/17/2021	12/16/2026
Soybean	MON 87701	MON-87701-2	Import	12/17/2021	12/16/2026
Soybean	MON 87701 x MON 89788	MON-87701-2 x MON-89788-1	Import	12/17/2021	12/26/2026
Soybean	A2704-12	ACS-GM005-3	Import	12/17/2021	12/16/2026
Soybean	GTS 40-3-2 (40-3-2)	MON-04032-6	Import	12/17/2021	12/16/2026
Soybean	FG72	MST-FG072-2	Import	12/17/2021	12/16/2026

An untranslated list of all recent Chinese GMO approval renewals [can be found here](#). This information will be included in the next update of the NAEGA PBIE.

China MRLs

China notified the World Trade Organization (WTO) on December 3, 2021 of 733 new pesticide maximum residue levels (MRLs) for agricultural products, including grains and oilseeds. A translation of the notification provided by USDA's Foreign Agriculture Service (FAS) [can be found here](#). The proposed date of entry into force has not been determined.

FAS is requesting comments be submitted by Friday, January 14, 2022, and The deadline for submission to the WTO is February 1, 2022. The Production Technology Committee is considering comments. Your input or comments are welcome.

Mexico Carta Porte

APPAMEX notified us the SAT (Mexican IRS, Spanish acronym for Tributary Administration Service) issued a letter and Federal Register publication announcing that on January 1st will be mandatory to fulfill the Complemento Carta Porte (CCP) fiscal requirement, **however a transition period will be in place that temporarily waves the requirement until March 30th, 2022. During the 3-month transition period (January 1 to March 30, 2022) no penalties will be enforced in case of missing or wrong entries in the CCP electronic form.**

After March 31st 2022 penalties will be enforced for mission or wrong entries on the CCP. The specifics of the penalties including who in the value chain is liable for the penalties, the amount to the penalties, are not clear.

The relationship and coordination between the Carta Porte requirement and import permit (pedimento) are also not clear. The import permit is required in Mexico's Foreign Trade Rules for 2022 and will be implemented by the Mexico National Customs Agency (Former Customs General Administration). It is uncertain if the data provided to the National Customs Agency on the pedimento will be shared or cross referenced with the SAT and the CCP.

A translated version of the SAT letter provided by APPAMEX [is available here](#), and the Mexican Federal Register Publication regarding the CCP [can be found here](#).

U.S. Export-Import Bank Domestic Financing Program

The U.S. Export-Import bank (EXIM) [is seeking public comment on a proposed expansion](#) of its medium- and long-term buyer financing programs to include domestic transactions. The proposal would support the establishment and expansion of U.S. manufacturing facilities and infrastructure projects that would facilitate U.S. exports, including Ports.

NAEGA is considering comments with a focus on sustainability and your input and advice is welcome. Comments are due to EXIM on January 20, 2021.

News:

Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States

New and revised tariff provisions to the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) came into effect in January 1m 2022, designed to ensure that the HTSUS includes significant updates made by the World Customs Organization (WCO) to the International Convention on the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System (the Convention).

Presidential Proclamation 10326 modified the HTSUS in accordance with recommendations by the United States International Trade Commission. The 2022 updates include a number of new or revised tariff classifications for article agricultural and food products. The revisions also includes other changes that are required by operative free trade agreements and that address certain technical aspects associated with the continued imposition of additional duties on most imports of Chinese-origin articles into the United States. The Federal Register notice on Presidential Proclamation 10326 [is available here](#).

USMCA Dispute on Auto Rules of Origin

Canada [will join Mexico's request](#) for a U.S.-Mexico-Canada Agreement (USMCA) dispute resolution panel regarding the U.S. interpretation of automotive rules of origin. The conflict arose due to differences over how to calculate the percentage of a vehicle that comes collectively from the three countries in order to trade duty free. USMCA says 75 percent of a vehicle's components must originate in the three nations to qualify for tax-free status. Both Mexico and Canada believe USMCA requires that more regionally produced parts should count toward that 75% than the U.S. wants to allow. The panel is expected to issue a report in the summer of 2022.

Calendar & Member Notices:

Click [here](#) for a copy of the IGTC Calendar

2022

January

- 18 – NAEGA Contract Committee Contract Review Subcommittee Meeting
- 21 – International Grains Council (IGC) 54th Council Session - Virtual

February

- 24-25 – 2022 USDA Agricultural Outlook Forum – Virtual

March

- TBD –WTO Thematic Session on Trade Facilitative Approaches to MRLs – Geneva, Switzerland
- 8-10 - 2022 Canadian Crops Convention, planned for both virtual and in person in Ottawa, Canada
- 13-15 – NGFA Annual Convention – Charleston, SC
- 14 – NAEGA Annual Meeting – planned for both virtual and in person in Charleston, SC

April

- 25 - May 8 – Meeting of the Convention on biological diversity (CBD) COP 15 and COP-MOP
- 10 – Part 2 - Kunming, China

May

- 19-21 – 2022 APPAMEX-NAEGA Forum – Puerto Vallarta, Mexico

June

- 6 - 9 - IGTC Meetings and IGC Annual Conference – planned for both virtual and in person in London, UK

December

- TBD – COP 16 – CBD – Turkey

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