

2016 CCA North American Board Meeting

Exams and Procedures

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CCA Exams and Procedures

- ▶ What are we going to talk about today?
 - ❖ Motion on time limits for exams.
 - ❖ Update on past year.
 - New Specialties
 - 4Rs Nutrient Management (U.S.)
 - 4Rs Nutrient Management (Ontario)
 - Resistance Management
 - Sustainability
 - ❖ Update on computer-based testing.
- ▶ Regions for the 4Rs Nutrient Management Exam.



Motion

Exam time limit: To set a 5 year time limit to complete both exams – the clock starts when the first exam scores are reported.

For example: the individual sits for the exams for the first time February 2016, they will have through August 2020 to complete both exams. After August 2020, if both exams are not passed, exam scores are nullified and the individual starts over.

CCA Exams - Update

- ▶ ICCA Exam
 - ❖ EPC working on-line; updating POs 2017
- ▶ Local Board Exams
 - ❖ Need to provide exam committee – 5 members
 - ❖ Exam committee progress
 - ❖ AuthorWise
- ▶ Options for Local Boards
 - ❖ Fee based option to have staff maintain exams.
 - ❖ Fee based on number of exams given/year
 - ❖ ≤ 30 exams, \$500 flat fee
 - ❖ > 30 exams, \$17 per exam
 - ❖ Fee is charged to Board after the August exam.
 - ❖ Local Board and Exam Committee still involved.
 - ❖ Staff facilitates everything getting done.



Specialty Exams

	<i>Total Part.</i>	<i># Pass</i>	<i>% Pass</i>	<i># Fail</i>	<i>% Fail</i>
4R NM – U.S*	224	133	59	91	41
4R NM - Ontario	65	49	75	16	25
Resistance Management	24	21	87.5	3	12.5
Sustainability	55	46	84	9	16

*Numbers represent three exam administrations.

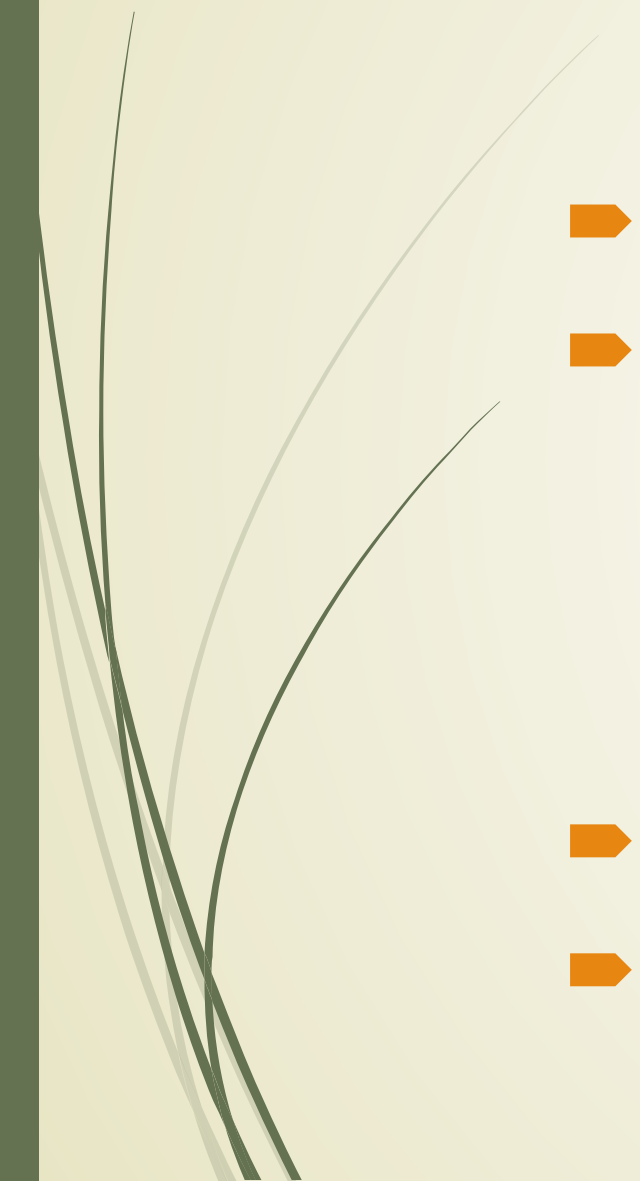


Computer-based Testing

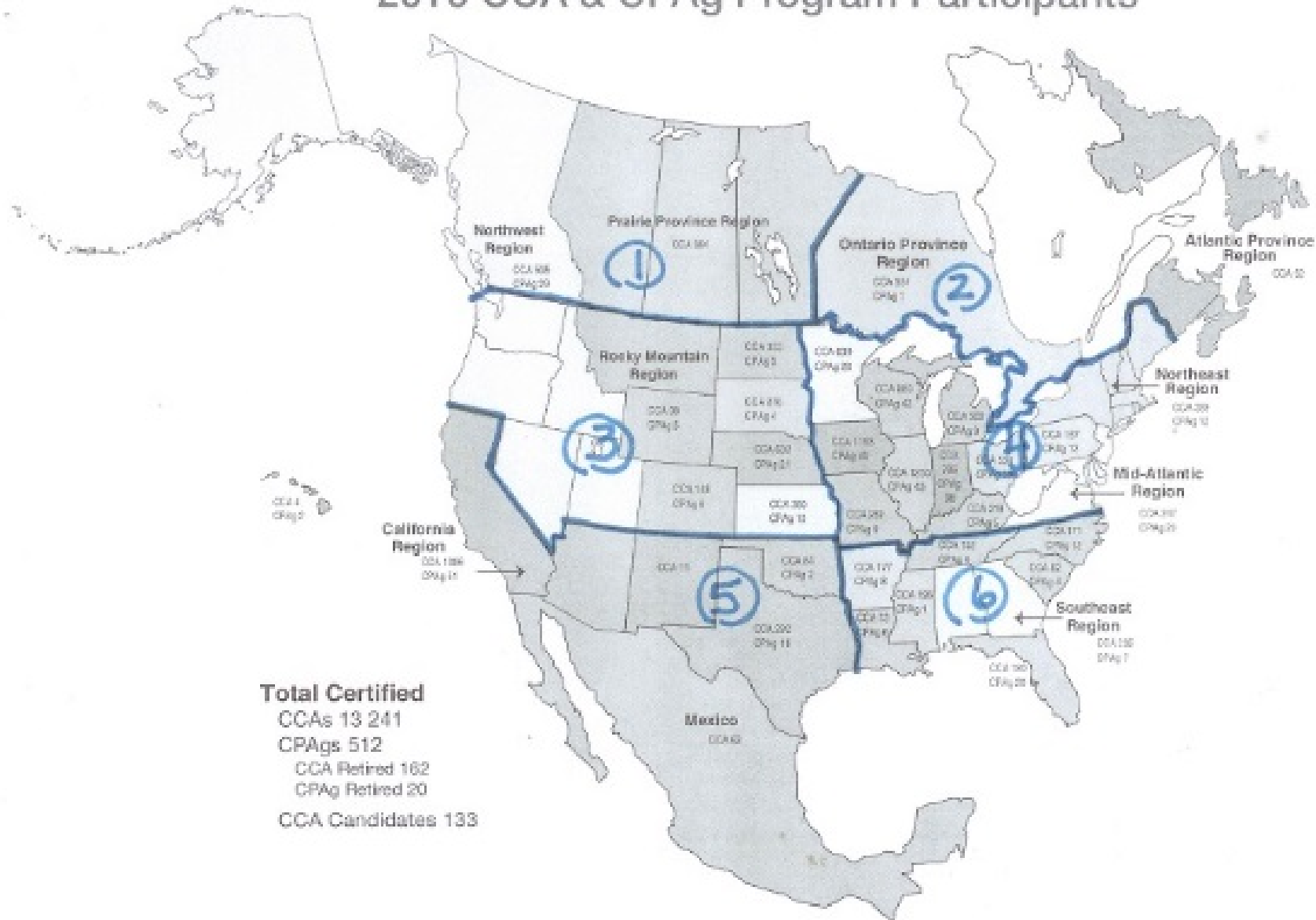
- ▶ Working on details with our psychometrician.
- ▶ May be possible to do some pilot testing in 2017.
- ▶ Several options available.
 - ❖ Checking the costs and processes associated with each option.
- ▶ There will be a transition period.
- ▶ Those exams that are up to date will be considered first for any pilot testing.



Regions for the 4Rs Nutrient Management Specialty exam

- Geographical differences
 - Can use the same POs
 - ❖ Example is Ontario
 - ❖ Change scenario details
 - ❖ Change questions
 - Exams treated as separate exams
 - Exam committees per region
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2016 CCA & CPAg Program Participants



Total Certified
 CCAs 13 241
 CPAgs 512
 CCA Retired 162
 CPAg Retired 20
 CCA Candidates 133

Questions?



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with questions:*

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