



CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF
FOOD & AGRICULTURE

Karen Ross, Secretary

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To: Citrus Nursery Stock Pest Cleanliness Program Participants

Subject: 2023/24 Program Fees, Application Timeline, and Laboratory Procedure Updates

The following is an update regarding program fees, application timeline, and laboratory procedures for the Citrus Nursery Stock Pest Cleanliness Program.

Except as noted below, all scion source trees that require disease testing during 2023/24 will be tested for tristeza (CTV), huanglongbing (HLB), psorosis (CPsV), and viroids. All seed source trees that require disease testing during 2023/24 will be tested for HLB, CPsV, and leaf blotch (CLBV).

Program Fees and Application Timeline

To cover laboratory costs, the total laboratory fee for testing scion source trees will be \$118 per sample. The total lab fee for testing seed trees will be \$100 per sample.

These laboratory fees are included on the Application for Registration of Citrus Trees (Form 65-057, revised 09/21), along with the annual application fee, collection fee, and structure fee, in accordance with California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 3, Section 3701.8.

The application, program agreement (3 CCR section 3069), and corresponding fees must be submitted annually by participants. Fillable copies of both the application and program agreement can be found on our website at:

<https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/citrus/nurserycleanlinessprogram.html>.

Fees may be paid via check payable to “**CDFA 90012**”, and sent with completed paperwork to:

Cashier
Department of Food and Agriculture
1220 N Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

Applications and fees must be received by the Program **prior** to collection of samples or inspections by Program staff.

Sample collection will begin in September and continue for approximately 20 weeks. Any required resampling will be performed as needed beginning in February and testing results should be mailed to participants by mid-May.



While preparing testing results reports, the Program will review the prior year's applications and payments and will mail out adjusted billing or reimbursements to those participants where a correction is needed.

For nurseries participating in the Voluntary Pre-Quarantine HLB Sampling and Testing Program:

- We will work with each nursery to attempt to prevent duplication of efforts and costs.
- Please notify program staff when contacted to discuss your individual situation and determine the best course of action for your nursery.
- Lab fees will be reduced for those samples that are not submitted by the program for HLB testing.
- Service fees will be charged for any additional samples collected by program staff.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Citrus Pest and Disease Prevention Division at (916) 274-6300 or cdfa.cpdpd@cdfa.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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