



DATE: May 9, 2013

TO: All County Agricultural Commissioners

SUBJECT: **PHYTOSANITARY ADVISORY NO. 11-2013**
Nevada Shipping Requirements- Exterior Quarantine Against Potato Late Blight

The California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) is issuing this advisory to remind county inspectors of the requirements under Nevada's Exterior Quarantine against Potato Late Blight.

Recently, Nevada set up temporary road "check stations" and found material originating in California in violation of Nevada's Potato Late Blight quarantine requirements. The Nevada Department of Agriculture requested that CDFA take this opportunity to reiterate the requirements of the Potato Late Blight quarantine to California inspectors and affected industry.

Summary of Potato Late Blight Requirements for shipments destined to Nevada:

Infested Areas

Each state, district and territory of the United States is an infested area (including CA).

Commodities Covered by Quarantine

The following commodities are under quarantine:

1. Any seed potato or potato plant; **and**
2. Any plant of the genus *Lycopersicon* (including tomato plants), except tomato seeds.

Certification of Commodities Covered by Quarantine Entering Nevada

1. Any commodity covered by the quarantine is prohibited from entering Nevada from an infested area unless the commodity is accompanied by a certificate signed by or bearing a facsimile signature of the authorized agricultural officer of the state of origin.
2. If the commodity is a **seed potato or potato plant**, the certificate must state that the seed potato or potato plant:
 - a. Was produced and certified as a certified seed potato in the state or county of origin; **and**
 - b. Was inspected in storage and at the point of shipping, and late blight was not found in the lot.
3. If the commodity is a **plant of the genus *Lycopersicon***, the certificate must state that the plant:
 - a. Was grown in a nursery or greenhouse;
 - b. Was inspected at that nursery or greenhouse and was found to be free of late blight;



- c. Before shipment, was treated with a registered fungicide that is labeled for the control of late blight; and
- d. Was inspected at the point of shipment and found to be free of late blight.

Disposition of Commodities Entering State in Violation of Quarantine; Liability for Cost

Any commodity covered by this quarantine that is found to be infested with late blight or shipped to a destination in Nevada in violation of the quarantine must be immediately shipped to a destination located outside of Nevada or destroyed or treated in a manner approved by the Department. If any commodity is shipped, destroyed or treated pursuant to this section, the owner of the commodity or his agent is liable for the cost of the shipment, destruction or treatment.

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