BEET CURLY TOP VIRUS GROWER ALERT



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Program-Wide Notice

Beet Leafhopper Migration from Coalinga Foothills to San Joaquin Valley Expected by April 16

- As stated in the Grower Alert dated April 8, 2021, the Beet Curly Top Virus Control Program (BCTVCP) observed beet leafhopper (BLH) counts of 20-40 BLH per 10 sweeps in some areas of the western foothills southeast of Coalinga.
- The BCTVCP was planning for aerial treatments to be conducted on these fields (highlighted in the map on page 2) during the week of April 12 but did not receive permission to treat from the property owner.
- Due to warmer temperatures and dry winds along the western foothills, BLH host vegetation in the areas identified on the map on page 2, are expected to fully dry out by the end of this week. Therefore, the BCTVCP would like to alert growers to the anticipation of a flight of BLH leaving the foothills southeast of Coalinga into the San Joaquin Valley on or around April 16.
- The situation in Coalinga is active, and the BCTVCP will continue to provide updates as new information becomes available.

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