# Beet Curly Top Virus Control Program Monthly Report

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## Program Update

- In February, Beet Curly Top Virus Control Program (BCTVCP) personnel monitored vegetation development in the foothills on the westside of the San Joaquin and Sacramento Valleys in Fresno, Glenn, Kern, Kings, and Merced Counties.
- February was cold and rainy, leading to further development of winter grasses in many BLH overwintering areas. Areas of ideal BLH host vegetation were limited throughout February.
- BLH counts remained very low or not present in most survey areas (0-1 BLH per sweep), and no nymphs were observed in any of the survey areas in February. Additionally, non-target insect activity was very low throughout all survey areas.
- Please visit the Program's webpage to view Program reports and alerts. <u>https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/plant/ipc/curlytopvirus/ctv\_hp.htm</u>
- The BCTVCP has deployed a Beet Leafhopper Sighting Report that industry can use to report BLH or CTV incidence in the field. This report is available using the following web browser link: <u>https://arcg.is/O9LyK</u> or by downloading the ArcGIS Survey123 app from the Google Play Store or Apple App Store and using the QR code below. A user guide for the BLH Sighting Report is available on the BCTVCP webpage.



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#### 2023 Beet Curly Top Virus Sample Results

January 2023 - BCTV Sample Results by County		
	<u>Fresno</u>	
Positive BLH	1	
Negative BLH	2	
Positive Host Plant	0	
Negative Host Plant	3	

February 2023 - BCTV Sample Results by County					
	Fresno	<u>Kings</u>	<u>Kern</u>	Merced	<u>Glenn</u>
Positive BLH	6	1	-	-	-
Negative BLH	0	0	-	-	-
Awaiting Results BLH	1	0	3	-	1
Positive Host Plant	1	0	-	0	-
Negative Host Plant	20	4	-	2	-
Awaiting Results Host Plant	27	6	-	0	5

#### **County Reports**

#### Fresno County

- BLH population surveys were conducted in the overwintering foothills as well as in fallow fields and roadsides within five miles of the foothills.
- Overall counts remained very low. However, there was an area in the foothills, located northwest of Panoche Junction, that had average counts of 7-9 BLH per set.
- Maps identifying locations of BLH counts are provided at the end of this report.

Fresh	o County BLH Surveys	
<u>Location</u>	Date	Average # BLH per 10 sweeps
Domegine	1-Feb	0.11 BLH
Big C	2-Feb	0.03 BLH
Fallow Fields near Panoche Creek	6-Feb	0.36 BLH
North of Panoche Creek	7-Feb	1.10 BLH
Gypsum Pits	8-Feb	0.20 BLH
Jacalitos	8-Feb	0.02 BLH
Los Gatos	8-Feb	0.20 BLH
Zapato	9-Feb	0.18 BLH
Fallow Fields near Five Points	13-Feb	0.03 BLH
Fallow Fields near Coalinga	13-Feb	0.02 BLH
Tumey Hills	14-Feb	0.02 BLH
Cantua Creek	15-Feb	0 BLH
South of Kamm	15-Feb	0.10 BLH
North of Kamm	15-Feb	0.67 BLH
Warthan	15-Feb	0 BLH
Coalinga Nose	15-Feb	0 BLH
Fallow Fields near Coalinga	21-Feb	0 BLH
Staircase	21-Feb	0.10 BLH
Fallow Fields near Oro Loma	22-Feb	0 BLH
Big C	22-Feb	0 BLH
Los Gatos	22-Feb	0 BLH

## <u>Glenn County</u>

- BLH population surveys were conducted in fallow fields and roadsides containing BLH host vegetation, primarily filaree, mallow, and London rocket.
- Overall counts remained very low throughout the survey areas, averaging 0-1 BLH per sweep set.

Glenn County BLH Surveys			
Location	<u>Date</u>	Average # BLH per 10 sweeps	
Williams	22-Feb	1.6 BLH	
Willows	23-Feb	0 BLH	

## <u>Kern County</u>

- BLH population surveys were conducted in the overwintering foothills as well as in fallow fields and roadsides within five miles of the foothills.
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Kern County BLH Surveys			
<u>Location</u>	<u>Date</u>	Average # BLH per 10 sweeps	
36 Hills	1-Feb	0.10 BLH	
Triple 5's	1-Feb	0 BLH	
West Buena Vista Hills	1-Feb	0 BLH	
West Buena Vista Hills	6-Feb	0 BLH	
South Lake	7-Feb	0 BLH	
Elk Hills	7-Feb	0 BLH	
Elk Hills	13-Feb	0.05 BLH	
Triple 5's	14-Feb	0 BLH	
Shooting Range	14-Feb	0 BLH	
Valley Acre Flats	14-Feb	0 BLH	
Elk Horn	21-Feb	0.13 BLH	
Western Mineral	21-Feb	1.70 BLH	

## <u>Kings County</u>

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Kings County BLH Surveys			
Location	<u>Date</u>	Average # BLH per 10 sweeps	
Kettleman Hills north of Hwy 41	6-Feb	0.13 BLH	
North Tip of Kettleman Hills	6-Feb	0 BLH	
Kettleman Hills north of Hwy 41	7-Feb	0.15 BLH	
Fallow Fields along Utica Ave	13-Feb	0 BLH	
Kettleman Hills south of Hwy 41	14-Feb	0 BLH	
Fallow Field west of Hwy 33	14-Feb	0 BLH	

#### Merced County

- BLH population surveys were conducted on February 1<sup>st</sup> in roadsides within five miles of the foothills.
- Host vegetation surveyed included filaree and emerging peppergrass.
- No BLH were observed during surveys in Merced County.

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