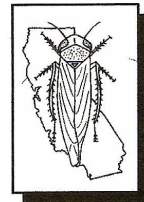


BEET CURLY TOP VIRUS CONTROL PROGRAM

GROWER ALERT

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Program-wide notice

- Beet Curly Top Virus (BCTV) Control Program (Program) personnel have identified areas in the San Joaquin Valley (SJV) with increased populations of beetle leafhopper (BLH).
- BLH are concentrating on isolated southwest facing slopes in the hillsides west of Kettleman Hills, CA. These higher counts represent a small portion of the overall area.
- Additional survey fields with similar conditions in Fresno and Kern Counties are being closely monitored for increased BLH populations. If control measures are determined to be necessary, the Program will send out follow-up Grower Alerts with additional information.
- This notice is to advise growers of the BLH presence detected in the survey completed the week of March 21st, to assist in monitoring the risks to fields adjacent to these hillsides.
- Grower collected beetle leaf hopper samples are being accepted by the Program and can be dropped off at the CDFA Fresno Office at 2895 N Larkin Ave, Suite A, Fresno, CA 93727.
- Growers can report sightings: <https://arcg.is/O9LyK>. For program inquiries or questions regarding this report, please contact Kendra Tapia at kendra.tapia@cdfa.ca.gov or (916) 823-1169.

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