Help Us Protect Our Natural Resources, Neighborhood Gardens, and Agriculture From Japanese Beetle



#### The Pest

Native to eastern Asia

Large (up to 15 mm long) & colorful

Lays eggs on/near soil surface

Adults prefer to feed on members of Rose family but will feed on a multitude of host plants (>300 different types), larvae prefer roots of various grasses.



California's climate and plants are ideal for a Japanese beetle population to persist & become permanently established

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#### APHIS PLANT PROTECTION & QUARANTINE Japanese Beetle Distribution in the U.S.









## **Japanese Beetle Life Cycle**



### **Japanese Beetle Larvae Damage**



# **Adult Japanese Beetle Damage**

#### **Hosts Specific To Sacramento County**

2019/2020 Gross Production Values (2 year average) of the Sacramento County Crops susceptible to Japanese Beetle damage



### **Potential Export Implications**



California is presently a "Category 1" **UNINFESTED STATE** set forth by USDA, the National Plant Board, and the regulated industry which affords nursery exports to other states unimpeded by regulations against Japanese beetle



A significant and repeated number of Japanese Beetle detections could threaten to move our county into a "Category 2" **PARTIALLY INFESTED STATUS** enacting strenuous protocols upon our nursery industry



#### **Current Prevention Activities**



Statewide & High Risk **Detection Trapping** 



**Cargo Inspections** 



#### **Eradication is Possible**



#### **Early Detection**

#### **Precision Delimitation**

**Science-Based Control** 

**Strong Partnerships** 

**Community Action** 

## **Trapping for Early Detection**





#### **Precision Delimitation**

- Specific determination of the extent of the infestation.
- Mapping (statewide trapping grid with trap placement, google earth, crop layers).
- Host proximity (adult & larvae).
- · Biology of pests.
- Known lure attractiveness.
- Targeted Treatments











# Science-Based Control Measures

Due to the number of detections, treatment will be needed in 2022

- One treatment per year turf and lawns.
- Initial treatment will use liquid spray
- Could in the future be potentially spread by granular pellets





- Acelepryn is labeled as a "reduced risk" pesticide posing a lower risk to human health and the environment than other pesticides allowed for the same use.
- Acelepryn has a reduced risk for humans, pets (dogs & cats), and some beneficial insects.
- Ground applications of Acelepryn targets grubs that are developing in the soil.
- Targeted foliar treatments will only be needed if numerous adult beetles are detected in an area.



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CDFA staff, in coordination with DPR, will ensure safe and proper treatment applications and post-treatment monitoring

Environmental Monitoring (CDFA)



## What to Expect

#### **Prior to treatment**

- Residents will receive information including our 800 number for reporting beetles at the virtual open house.
- Residents will receive treatment information which also includes our 800 number.

#### **During treatment**

- We will have scheduled treatment days; however, we will work around residents' schedules.
- Only professional staff in uniform with prominent ID badges will approach homes.
- We will never ask to come into the home.
- The treatment is free of charge.
- We will politely move toys and lawn furniture, if needed.

## What to Expect

#### **Post treatment**

- Signs will be placed on treated lawns.
- Residents will be asked to stay off the lawn until it dries.
- Signs will be removed the following day.



#### **KEEP OFF LANDSCAPE**

This area was treated with Acelepryn, an insecticide to eradicate the Japanese Beetle. Date: <u>4/19</u> Until <u>2:15</u> a.m./c.m. If you have questions or concerna,

please call 1-800-491-1899.

CDFA will return the following day to remove this sign.









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#### **Partnerships**

#### What Can Residents Do?



Cooperate with agricultural staff for treatments and identify places for survey traps. Keep an eye out for beetles and report them.



Report beetle presence and potential plant damage to the CDFA Pest Hotline: 800-491-1899

#### **Requesting Your Partnership**



Send out information to your constituents, neighbors, and community groups/



Help us connect us with local community members and organizations



Do you have ideas to help with this project?





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