California Department of Food and Agriculture

Asian Citrus Psyllid and Huanglongbing
Regulations Overview and Proposed Changes
A copy of this Power Point® presentation and information regarding future scoping meetings can be found at:

https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/plant/acp/index.html

Public comment period will immediately follow this presentation.

Written comments may also be submitted until June 30, 2016 to:
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Asian Citrus Psyllid and Huanglongbing in California

- 2008: Asian Citrus Psyllid (ACP) first detected in California in San Diego County.
- 2012: Huanglongbing (HLB) first detected in California in Los Angeles County.
- 2016: Total area under quarantine in California
  - ACP: 53,538 square miles
  - HLB: 180 square miles
ACP Quarantine Areas

Asian Citrus Psyllid 2016
53,538 sq miles

ACP Quarantine Boundaries
- ACP Quarantine - 53,538 sq miles on 4/25/2016
- Citrus Layer

0 50 100 Miles
HLB Quarantine Area

ACP Quarantine Boundaries
- HLB Quarantine - 180 sq miles on 7/21/2015
- Citrus Layer

Huanglongbing 2016
180 sq miles
Current Asian Citrus Psyllid (ACP) Regulations Overview

- Single ACP detection triggers a quarantine of minimum 5 mile radius.
- Request for full county quarantine must come from County Agricultural Commissioner.
- Citrus commodities are prohibited movement from an ACP quarantine area except under permit.
- Free movement allowed to the packinghouse if within the same quarantine area.
- Citrus commodity shipments must be free of stems and leaves or moved under “spray and move” option to packinghouse outside of an ACP quarantine area.
CDFA received a written request to hold public meetings to review and update the citrus regulations and begin the rulemaking process.
Industry’s Primary Issues and Concerns

- Citrus commodity movement and nursery stock movement should be regulated independent of one another.
- Some areas of California are generally infested and therefore pose a higher risk of spreading ACP.
- To prevent the creation of an avenue for host movement between southern California and the Central Valley as a result of quarantine expansions in Fresno, Kern, and Tulare Counties.
- Movement and safeguarding of host nursery stock between regions.
CDFA’s Response to Industry’s Regulation Change Proposal

- California Code of Regulations, Title 3, Section 3435 Asian Citrus Psyllid split in two
  - Section 3435.1 (Nursery Stock)
  - Section 3435.2 (Citrus Commodities)
- Free movement is permitted within a quarantine region.
- Each quarantine region poses a risk of spreading ACP and will therefore require mitigations moving from any quarantine region to another quarantine region.
- Counties currently without an ACP quarantine will be labeled as the “Region Not Under Quarantine.”
Things to Consider

- For proposed regional quarantine to become effective, a change must be made to the Federal Order to move California to a statewide quarantine.

- Restrictions on intrastate movement between regions would not apply to out of state shippers. Host material is eligible to be sent anywhere in California if it meets interstate entry requirements.

- Additional personnel and infrastructure would be required to regulate the proposed regional quarantines.
Quarantine Regions for Citrus Commodities

- Southern Region:
  - The entire counties of Imperial, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, and San Diego.

- San Joaquin Valley Region:
  - The entire counties of Fresno, Kern, Kings, Madera, and Tulare.

- Coastal Region:
  - The entire counties of Monterey, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Santa Cruz, and Ventura.

- Bay Area Region:

- Region Not Under Quarantine:
  - The entire counties of Alpine, Amador, Butte, Calaveras, Colusa, Contra Costa, Del Norte, El Dorado, Glenn, Humboldt, Inyo, Lake, Lassen, Marin, Mariposa, Mendocino, Modoc, Mono, Napa, Nevada, Placer, Plumas, Sacramento, Shasta, Sierra, Siskiyou, Solano, Sonoma, Sutter, Tehama, Trinity, Tuolumne, Yolo, and Yuba.
Regulated citrus commodities are prohibited movement from any region under quarantine, except if moved under terms of a special permit.

Regulated citrus commodities originating within the “Region Not Under Quarantine” are permitted unrestricted movement within and from the region.
Citrus Commodity Requirements

- All establishments handling citrus commodities in a region under quarantine must be under a compliance agreement.

- All bulk citrus must be run through a wet wash process prior to leaving the quarantine region for final packing, grading or processing. This can occur in a field run wash line or a packinghouse.
  - No longer require field cleaning or “spray and move.”

- All shipments prior to final packing from a region under quarantine to another must be transported in a container, conveyance, or vehicle with solid walls or shipment of citrus fruit and pallets/field bins must be completely covered with a tarp.
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Written comments may also be submitted by mail to:

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Comment period regarding the proposed citrus commodity regulation changes begins now.