



Citrus Health Response Program

CHRP Update

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Citrus Health Management Area Initiative

FDACS/DPI is working closely with industry, UF-IFAS and the USDA-APHIS-PPQ in the development and implementation of Citrus Health Management Areas (CHMA's), wherein growers are encouraged to work together to time pest control measures to achieve area wide control of the Asian citrus psyllid. As part of CHMA initiative, DPI will conduct routine psyllid scouting in three-week intervals providing real-time information on psyllid populations in each CHMA. The data collected, which will be made available to CHMA individuals or groups, will be presented in the form of graphs, maps and charts helping growers to make pest management decisions.

The data is collected in the field by hand using the tap sampling method, electronically recorded while in the field and then uploaded into

the database within 24 hours. Other DPI involvement includes working closely

with IFAS in CHMA planning, attending meetings, grower recruitment and grower participation. For more information on CHMAs please visit - http://www.crec.ifas.ufl.edu/extension/chmas/chma_overview.shtml or www.freshfromflorida.com/pi/chrp.

Citrus Fruit Movement Rule

The USDA-APHIS published an interim rule allowing the interstate movement of citrus nursery stock out of Florida to non-citrus producing states. This interim rule was effective April 27, 2011, and had a comment period until June 27, 2011. The comment period is now closed, please check our website for updates -

www.freshfromflorida.com/pi/chrp.

Citrus Black Spot Quarantine - Federal Order June 2011

USDA-APHIS issued a revised Federal Order, June 1, 2011, which expands the quarantine area for the fungal pathogen, *Guignardia citricarpa*, (causal agent of citrus black spot) in Florida. This replaces the March 2011 order. Based on the results of delimiting surveys, the quarantine area will expand by six sections in Collier County and 14 sections in Hendry County. These sections are in previously quarantined townships. The number of townships with quarantined areas remains at three for Collier County and four for Hendry. The Federal Order and APHIS-Approved Packinghouse Procedures for *Guignardia citricarpa* are available online at www.freshfromflorida.com/pi/chrp.

Citrus Black Spot Quarantine Areas in Collier and Hendry County

Collier County: Sections 13 through 16, 20 through 29, and 33 through 36 in Township 47, Range 29; Sections 01 through 04, 09 through 13, 15 and 16 in Township 48, Range 29; and Sections 06 and 07 in Township 48, Range 30.

Hendry County: Sections 25 through 28 and 32 through 36 in Township 46, Range 31; Sections 30 and 31 in Township 46, Range 32; Sections 06 and 07 in Township 47, Range 32; and Sections 01 through 05, 08 through 10 and 12 in Township 47, Range 31.

Training Notice

Citrus Disease Identification Training for Packers and Processors

Packers and processors should call the DPI Helpline to schedule training.

800-282-5153

Urban Outreach - Citrus Diseases

CHRP outreach subcommittee is developing a program to educate dooryard citrus growers about new and existing citrus pests and diseases, how to manage them, provide reminders about purchasing from registered nurseries, and encouraging the public to report any suspicious pests or diseases. This is a cooperative effort between the FDACS/DPI, USDA, UF-IFAS and industry. A strategic plan is being prepared and will be presented at the next statewide CHRP working group meeting.

Abandoned Grove Initiative

CHRP continues to work with county property appraisers and abandoned grove property owners to help mitigate the impact of exotic citrus pests and diseases, and to provide assistance with tax exemptions. Contact your local CHRP office if you are a property owner with an abandoned grove, if you know of abandoned groves in your

area, or if you need proper documentation for your county tax assessor for an exemption. Local CHRP office information is available at - www.freshfromflorida.com/pi/chrp.

Fruit Fly Update

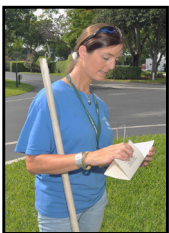
Mediterranean Fruit Fly Eradication Declared – Pompano Beach, FL

Two male Medflies were found in the Pompano Beach area of Broward County in January 2011. An eradication program was begun with increased trapping, control measures and regulatory activities. Eleven Medflies were found during the program. Eradication was declared on July 17, 2011 with that date marking the end of the 3rd life cycle since the last Medfly find. All treatments have been completed and regulations on fruit movement are lifted. Routine fruit fly trapping will continue and sterile flies will continue to be released as part of the preventive release program.



Peach Fruit Fly Enhanced Trapping Completed – Miami, FL

One male peach fruit fly was found in a trap in Miami-Dade County in November 2010 – the first time this exotic fruit fly has been found in Florida. Enhanced trapping was conducted for three life cycles of the fly. No additional peach fruit fly was found. Therefore, enhanced trapping was discontinued in April 2011. Routine trapping will continue under the statewide fruit fly detection and monitoring program.



CHRP Website

Stay tuned to the CHRP website for compliance agreement information.



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