APHIS Expands Citrus Greening (Huanglongbing) Quarantined Area in California, DA-2026-49

FOR INFORMATION AND ACTION
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To: State, Tribal, and Territory Agricultural Regulatory Officials

Effective immediately, the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), in cooperation with the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA), is expanding the citrus greening (Huanglongbing; HLB) quarantined area in California. APHIS is adding 64 square miles to the Corona, Lake Elsinore, and Wildomar areas of Riverside County. This expansion impacts 16.8 acres of commercial citrus.

APHIS is taking this action because a plant tissue sample from a residential property tested positive for Candidatus Liberibacter asiaticus, the bacterium that causes citrus greening. This expansion parallels CDFA’s intrastate quarantine established on September 17, 2026.

This action is authorized by the Plant Protection Act (7 U.S.C. 7701 through 7786) in accordance with 7 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 301.76 through 301.76-11. APHIS is applying citrus greening safeguarding measures as outlined in those CFRs, and in associated Federal Orders. These requirements govern interstate movement of regulated articles from the quarantined areas and help prevent citrus greening from spreading to areas that are not currently infested.

For updated maps and details, visit the APHIS Citrus Greening and Asian Citrus Psyllid webpage. APHIS will also publish a notice of this change in the *Federal Register*.

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