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APHIS Expands the European Cherry Fruit Fly (Rhagoletis cerasi) Quarantine in New York, DA-2026-47

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Subject: APHIS Expands the European Cherry Fruit Fly (Rhagoletis cerasi) Quarantine in New York

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 New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets (NYS AGM), is expanding the European cherry fruit fly (Rhagoletis cerasi; ECFF) quarantine to include Livingston County, New York. This action expands the quarantined area by 638 square miles and includes one acre of commercial cherry production.

APHIS is taking this action because one female adult ECFF was detected in a trap in honeysuckle on a roadside in Livingston County on July 7, 2025. This expansion parallels NYS AGM’s intrastate quarantine established on August 5, 2026.

With this expansion, the ECFF quarantine now includes all of Cayuga, Erie, Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Niagara, Onondaga, Ontario, Orleans, Oswego, Senaca, and

Wayne Counties. This quarantine does not include the Cattaraugus, Cayuga, Onondaga, Tonawanda, and Tuscarora Indian Reservations. The ECFF quarantine now encompasses 7,991 square miles and contains 860 acres of commercial cherry production.

APHIS is applying safeguarding measures and restrictions on the interstate movement of regulated articles. These steps help prevent ECFF from spreading to non-infested areas of the United States, and protect export markets, while maintaining commercial cherry production and marketing within New York. This action is authorized by the Plant Protection Act (7 U.S.C. 7701–7786) in accordance with 7 CFR 301.32 through 301.32- 10. APHIS and the NYS AGM are responding to this detection following program guidelines for survey and regulatory actions.

For updated maps and descriptions of all the current federal fruit fly quarantine areas, visit the APHIS Exotic Fruit Flies webpage. APHIS will also publish a notice of this change in the *Federal Register*.

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