

FOR INFORMATION
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SUBJECT: Addition of Regulated Area in Idaho for Pale Cyst Nematode, *Globodera pallida*

TO: STATE AND TERRITORY AGRICULTURAL REGULATORY OFFICIALS

On September 16, the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) confirmed an additional detection of PCN in a potato production field encompassing 42 acres in Bonneville County, Idaho. This brings the total infested area to 1,467 acres in 12 fields in the 2 Idaho counties already under regulation. The morphological and molecular analysis of suspect cyst samples from this field conducted by the Agricultural Research Service and APHIS has confirmed the presence of PCN. After all traces are completed, which is expected this fall, APHIS will post on its website any additional acres that need to be regulated due to their primary association with these 42 infested acres. The cysts were collected as part of ongoing delimiting survey of the 164 acres we reported infested in March 2011.

We have also identified an additional 8118.3 acres of farmland due to their primary association with the 11th infested field which was detected in August 2011.

In accordance with the PCN regulations (7 CFR 301.86), APHIS added this additional infested field to the PCN quarantine area on September 26, 2011. This brings the total regulated area infested and associated fields to 15,533 acres. Accordingly, restrictions on the interstate movement of PCN regulated articles from these areas are now required. APHIS will follow-up with a notice of the change to the quarantine boundaries in the *Federal Register*.

The specific regulated areas for PCN can be found on the following website:
http://www.aphis.usda.gov/plant_health/plant_pest_info/potato/pcn-maps.shtml

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