

FOR INFORMATION
DA-2012-24
July 3, 2012

SUBJECT: Addition of Pale Cyst Nematode, *Globodera pallida*, Regulated Areas in Idaho

TO: STATE AND TERRITORY AGRICULTURAL REGULATORY OFFICIALS

Effective immediately, the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) is adding 151 acres to the pale cyst nematode (PCN) regulated area in Bingham County, Idaho. APHIS is taking this action based on the June 12 and 13 confirmations of PCN cysts in two potato production fields in Bingham County. This addition brings the number of PCN-infested fields to 17 and the infested area to 1,916 acres.

In accordance with the PCN regulations, APHIS is applying restrictions on the interstate movement of PCN-regulated articles from these areas. APHIS will follow-up with a notice of this change to the regulated area 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

The cysts were collected as part of ongoing cooperative monitoring efforts by APHIS and the Idaho State Department of Agriculture. All known infested fields are located within a 5-mile radius that spans a portion of northern Bingham County and southern Bonneville County. After APHIS completes the trace investigation for this most recent find, any additional acres that need to be regulated due to their primary association with the newly infested acres will be listed on the PCN program website at:

http://www.aphis.usda.gov/plant_health/plant_pest_info/potato/pcn.shtml

For additional information you may contact Jonathan Jones, National Program Manager, at (301) 851-2128.

/s/ Osama El-Lissy

Rebecca A. Bech
Deputy Administrator
Plant Protection and Quarantine