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Subject: Removal of Oriental Fruit Fly (*Bactrocera dorsalis*) Quarantine in the Inglewood Area of Los Angeles County, California

To: State and Territory Agricultural Regulatory Officials

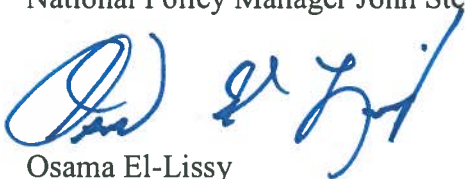
Effective July 19, 2016 the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) removed the quarantine area for the Oriental Fruit Fly (OFF) in Inglewood, Los Angeles County, California.

On June 29, 2015, APHIS implemented the OFF quarantine in the Inglewood area of Los Angeles County, California. The quarantine restricted the interstate movement of regulated articles from that area to prevent the spread of OFF to non-infested areas of the United States. Since that time, APHIS has worked with the California Department of Food and Agriculture and the Los Angeles County Agriculture Commissioner's office to eradicate the transient OFF population. Control actions included high density trapping, fruit removal, eradication control measures, regulatory quarantine activities, and foliar bait sprays near the detection sites.

The last OFF detected in Inglewood was on December 17, 2015. Eradication concluded after sufficient time passed without finding additional OFF in this area. The following designated website contains a description of all the current federal fruit fly quarantine areas:

http://www.aphis.usda.gov/plant_health/plant_pest_info/fruit_flies/quarantine.shtml

For additional information on the removal of the Oriental fruit fly quarantine area, please call National Policy Manager John Stewart at 919-855-7426.



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