

An agriculturally important note for citrus growers

The California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) and the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) have confirmed detection of the citrus disease known as huanglongbing (HLB), or citrus greening. The disease was detected in plant material taken from a kumquat tree in a residential neighborhood in the San Gabriel area of Los Angeles County. This is the second time HLB has been detected in California. The first detection occurred in 2012 in a residential citrus tree in Hacienda Heights, about 15 miles from San Gabriel. Read about it here, <http://agnetwest.com/2015/07/10/huanglongbing-detected-in-los-angeles-county/>. UC IPM has an excellent source of information for huanglongbing here, <http://www.ipm.ucdavis.edu/PMG/PESTNOTES/pn74155.html> and here, <http://www.ipm.ucdavis.edu/PMG/r107304411.html>.

ACP was first detected in California in 2008, and quarantines are now in place in 17 California counties. If Californians have questions about the ACP or HLB, they may call CDFA's toll-free pest hotline at 1-800-491-1899 or visit: <http://www.cdfa.ca.gov/phpps/acp/>



Regards:

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