



Public Meeting Information

Asian Citrus Psyllid Control Program







ACP Lifecycle

Asian Citrus Psyllid Lifecycle

- Eggs laid singly
- 5 nymphal stages
- 10 generations / year
- Life cycle takes 15-47 days
- Egg to adult in 2 weeks at 75-80° F



Asian Citrus Psyllid Life Stages



Eggs



Adult ACP



Adult feeding with nymphs

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Huanglongbing Citrus Greening Disease





Lopsided fruit with aborted seeds





Asymmetric leaf mottling

Huanglongbing (HLB), also known as Citrus Greening Disease or Yellow Shoot Disease, is a very destructive bacterial disease of citrus and citrus relatives. It is spread primarily by psyllid insect vectors and through grafting with infected budwood. HLB represents a serious threat to the citrus industry worldwide and especially in California. Three separate strains of HLB have been discovered and identified: Asian, African (South Africa) and South American (Brazil).

Symptoms include yellow shoots, leaf mottle, small upright leaves and lopsided fruits with a bitter flavor. There is no known control or cure for this disease once a tree becomes infected. Diseased trees are non-productive, have a shortened lifespan and must be removed and destroyed to prevent further spread of HLB.

This disease is spread readily by the Asian citrus psyllid (*Diaphorina citri*), which is widespread in Florida, Texas, Hawaii, Southern California and Mexico. The insect vector (both adults and nymphs) feed on the new growth flush. Orange jasmine (*Murraya paniculata*), an ornamental citrus relative, is the preferred host for the psyllid, although all Citrus species are hosts. The Asian strain of HLB was discovered for the first time in August 2005 in Florida, in Texas in February 2012 and in Southern California in March 2012. The HLB infected citrus tree in California (a pummelo, grafted on lemon) was found in Hacienda Heights, Los Angeles County.

If you suspect you have citrus with HLB disease – based on the presence of the symptoms described or of the insect vector – please contact the California Department of Food and Agriculture at 1-800-491-1899.



Blotchy mottle



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Yellow Veins



How to Inspect Your Citrus

What to Look For: Signs of the Insect & Disease

It can take years for symptoms of the disease to appear, meaning inspection for the psyllid is our best line of defense.

- Use a magnifying glass or hand lens.
- Inspect when watering, pruning or tending trees.
- Pay close attention during times of leaf growth, or "flushing."







What does the Asian Citrus **Psyllid look like?**

Due to the small size—even of adult psyllids—inspection is done more easily with a magnifying glass or hand lens.

Eggs are bright yellow-orange and almond shaped, and appear in groups on the newest, most tender, unfolded leaves.





Nymphs are dull orange, have red eves and produce waxy tubules that direct honeydew away from their bodies. They can be difficult to see because they are small and flatten

themselves against twigs and leaves. Nymphs are slow, do not fly or jump, unlike their adult counterparts, and the honeydew they produce causes sooty mold to grow on leaves.

Adults are small (3-4 mm or 1/8-1/6 inch), brownish insects that are similar in size to an aphid. They feed with their heads down, almost touching the surface of the leaf. Because of the shape of their heads, their bodies are lifted to approximately a 45-degree angle.





When?

Inspection should be done on a regular basis and especially during periods of active plant growth or "flushing." Eggs and nymphs are only present during flushing and, while adults can be present year-round, they are easier to spot on the tender leaves of spring and fall flush.

Where?

The psyllid adults and nymphs are typically found on new shoots, along with eggs, which are often nestled in crevices of unfolded leaves. The adult psyllid also feeds on more mature leaves and will quickly move if disturbed.



How Often?

Inspect trees monthly and whenever watering, spraying, pruning or tending trees. It's especially important to inspect during active growth, or flushing.



CITRUS PEST & DISEASE PREVENTION DIVISION

Treatment



CDFA will be treating infested areas to eradicate the Asian citrus psyllid.







Treatment will be made by a professional applicator and CDFA staff.







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Active Ingredients



The Asian citrus psyllid (ACP) treatment program uses products containing imidacloprid and cyfluthrin as active ingredients.

Imidacloprid is a nicotine-based insecticide, in a group of chemicals called neonicotinoids. It is available in a variety of home garden use products and flea treatments for dogs and cats.

Beta-cyfluthrin is a pyrethroid insecticide based on a natural chemical produced by chrysanthemum flowers. Pyrethroids are one of the most common household insecticides used today. Beta-cyfluthrin products are used in homes, restaurants, hospitals, food processing plants and gardens.



From a Local Home Improvement Store

Beta-Cyfluthrin Product, Imidacloprid Product, Pyrethroid Product



Biocontrol

Biological Control Method

- Use of natural enemies to suppress and control populations of invasive pests
- *Tamarixia radiata* identified as ideal biocontrol agent for Asian citrus psyllid
- Biocontrol is part of the Integrated Pest Management plan for Asian citrus psyllid



Biocontrol Rearing Process















Biocontrol Rearing Facilities



Asian Citrus Psyllid







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Protecting Pollinators

Protecting native bees and managed hives is an important consideration in agricultural officials' efforts to protect our food supply and environment from invasive pests like the Asian citrus psyllid.

- The Program follows all pesticide labels and bee safe label language.
- Program staff actively look for foraging bees.
- Treatment activities are not conducted if bees are actively foraging on host plants to be treated.
- When bees are present the treatment will be rescheduled for a time when bees are not active, like early morning.

PEST HOTLINE: 1.800.491.1899





CITRUS PEST & DISEASE

PREVENTION DIVISION

When bees are present, we reschedule treatment for early morning when bees are dormant.



More info online at www.cdfa.ca.gov/plant/pollinators



Notifications

Properties will be notified at least 48 hours in advance, with a pink notification seeking an appointment

	CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE COUNTY AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE	
	OFFICIAL NOTICE	
	ADVANCE NOTICE OF INSECTICIDE TREATMENT	
The California D serious insect pu determined that and economic in spread of thess cyfluthrin), a py located on your j or host shrubs. products for use safety, and Calif	spartment of Frod and Apricatum (CDFA) has detected the Asian circles psylid (ACP), a set, or Huanglorghing (H.B), a deadly atrus desses, in your meghtomood. CDFA has been applied to the set of the application of the application of the set of the set of the application of the set of	
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This treatment i	s free of charge.	
Your property i conditions, such	s scheduled for treatment on, Unfavorable weather as rain or wind, may cause the treatment to be rescheduled.	
You do not nee property, includir	d to be present during the treatment as long as treatment staff have access to your g the backyard. The treatment takes only a few minutes if you take the following steps:	
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t is <u>not</u> necessa be picked on or a	ry to harvest all of the citrus fruit from your trees before the treatment begins. Any fruit to ifter the treatment date can be left on the tree and harvested after the area has dried.	
After the treatm	ent is completed:	
Avoid cor Contact o	ttact with treated area until the treated area is dry. ur project office before moving any citrus plant material from your property.	
Please visit our	website to learn more about this pest http://www.cdfa.ca.gov/phpps/acp/	
f you have any q 800) 491-1899.	uestions or a situation that requires special attention, please call	
Thank you for y	our cooperation.	
Block Number: Please refer to this blo	x number when contacting our office)	

If unable to treat, we will leave a green notification with the reason

()	COUNTY AGRICULTU	RAL COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
Y	WE WERE UNABLE	TO TREAT YOUR PROPERTY
Your	property was scheduled for Asian	citrus psyllid treatment on
We w	vere unable to treat as planned du	e to the reason(s) checked below:
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L	for treatment on restrain your dog on the date of	Please unlock your gate and/or of your scheduled treatment.
Г	Rain and/or wind. Your proper	ty has been rescheduled for treatment on
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	Other. Please call our office a	t 800-491-1899.
	Reason:	
In ord within	er to stop the spread of the Asian the treatment area are treated wi	citrus psyllid, it is important that all properties the insecticide applications in a timely manner.
lf y	ou need to make special arrang questions or concerns, pl	gements for this treatment, or if you have any pase call our office at (800) 491-1899.
Plea	se visit our website to learn more	about this pest http://www.cdfa.ca.gov/phpps/acp
This f	reatment is free of charge.	
Than	k you for your cooperation.	
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Upon completion of Treatment you will receive a yellow notification

	CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE
	NOTICE OF INSECTICIDE TREATMENT
The Californ serious inser	a Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) has detected the Asian citrus psyllid (ACP) t pest, or Huanglongbing (HLB), a deadly citrus disease, in your neighborhood.
On was treated citrus trees of which poses please call th	at approximately
	To learn more about the ACP and HLB, please visit the CDFA website: <u>http://www.cdfa.ca.gov/phpps/acp/</u>
	Tempo® SC Ultra (beta-cylluthrin) is a formulation of a pyrethroid contrinsecticide for controlling Asian citrus psyllid adults and nymphs. This material will applied a minimum of one time to the foliage of host plants on designated resident properties.
	Merit® 2F (imidacloprid, a systemic insecticide) applied to the soil of all host plants designated residential properties. The material is taken up into the plant via the rr system and provides approximately 12 months of protection against the pest, dependi on the soil conditions.
	CoreTect™ (imidacloprid, a systemic insecticide), tablets were applied below t soil surface of host plants at designated residential properties. The material is taken into the plant via the root system and provides approximately 12 months of protect against the pest, depending on the soil conditions.
CDFA has se environmenta	lected the insecticide products above based on their effectiveness against ACP, worker a I safety, and California registration status.
•	Once the area has dried, you may use your property as you normally would.
•	To prevent the spread of this pest, please do not move plant material off your property without contacting our project office.
•	For best results, please irrigate the plants that were treated within 24 hours of treatment.
If you System hotlin	are experiencing health problems after this application, call the California Poison Control e at (800) 222-1222(voice), or consult with your physician.
Thank you	or your cooperation.
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Quarantine



What Plants are Regulated?

Asian citrus psyllid (ACP) host plants are members of the Rutaceae family and include all citrus as well as some ornamentals and plants grown for their leaves, such as Kaffir lime and *Murraya* spp. (including curry leaf).

California is divided into 3 quarantine zones for nursery stock and 7 quarantine zones for bulk citrus fruit. The only area *not* regulated for ACP is Zone 1. With the exception of citrus fruit that has been commercially cleaned and packed or fruit for personal consumption that has been cleaned of all stems and leaves, ACP host plants and plant parts are regulated. Movement of regulated host material within and from quarantine zones is prohibited unless it meets regulatory requirements.

What Can I Do to Prevent the Spread of ACP?

Please make sure all citrus plants you purchase in ACP Nursery Quarantine Zones 2 and 3 have the correct blue or yellow quarantine tag and are purchased in the zone where they will be planted.

Homegrown fruit for personal consumption (under 25 pounds) may move inside or from any Bulk Citrus Quarantine Zone without restriction as long as *all stems and leaves are removed*. Fruit movement out of your zone is discouraged due of the possibility of ACP hitchhiking a ride to other areas.

Do not move potted citrus plants or other host plants from your property.

If you remove a citrus tree or other host plant from your yard, make sure it goes to a green waste recycling facility inside your ACP Nursery Quarantine Zone.



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What Establishments are Regulated?

NURSERIES

All citrus nursery stock for sale inside Nursery Quarantine Zone 2 or 3 must be treated with both an approved drench and foliar pesticide before sale. Treated nursery stock is tagged with either a blue tag (Nursery Zone 2) or a yellow tag (Nursery Zone 3).

GREEN WASTE

Green waste may move within a Nursery Quarantine Zone to local landfills and green waste recycling centers but may not move to a different nursery quarantine zone unless it meets quarantine requirements.

SWAP MEETS/FARMERS MARKETS

Fruit free from stems and leaves may be sold at swap meets and farmers markets by vendors with a compliance agreement. Nursery stock that has been treated with both an approved foliar and drench pesticide and has a blue or yellow ACP tag may also be sold.

More Quarantine Information? isit our website for the latest regulation information: www.cdfa.ca.gov/plant/acp/regulation







Emergency Quarantine Response Program Pest Exclusion Branch Plant Health and Pest Prevention Services



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Asian Citrus Psyllid Regulatory Maps









Huanglongbing Regulatory Map





