



WITH YOUR HELP, AGRICULTURAL CREWS CAN HELP SAVE BACKYARD CITRUS

This summer, agricultural officials in your neighborhood may be asking for YOUR help to protect California citrus trees from spreading and potentially contracting a deadly plant disease.

State and local agricultural officials are working hard to prevent the spread of a dangerous citrus pest called the Asian citrus psyllid (ACP) and the deadly citrus disease it can spread, Huanglongbing (HLB), threatening California's backyard citrus trees. To keep your community's citrus trees healthy and plentiful for years to come, cooperation between California residents and state and local agriculture officials is crucial.

Agricultural officials may come to your community once, or a few times a year if the pest or disease is found nearby.

Here's what to expect if they're working in your area:

- California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) crews may knock on your door to let you know they plan to inspect your citrus trees for the pest or disease, or to verify that you do not have any potential host plants on your property.
- The officials will have a badge indicating their affiliation with the California Department of Food and Agriculture and/or will have a uniformed shirt or patch clearly identifying their affiliation.
- These agricultural officials will never ask to access your home, as these crews are solely focused on protecting your citrus trees and won't disturb the rest of your property.

By allowing trained agricultural officials to inspect your citrus trees, or other plants that may be a host for HLB, you're ensuring your tree gets the utmost care and attention. It's important to quickly find the pest and disease to protect California's vibrant citrus trees, so your cooperation is appreciated.

Learn more about what to expect from agricultural officials in your area: [Agriculture Officials Protecting California Citrus](#)

If you have citrus on your property, inspect your trees regularly for signs and symptoms of the pest and disease and report anything suspicious to the free CDFA pest hotline at **800-491-1899** or your county agricultural commissioner. To learn more about the pest and disease and how you can help in the fight to save California citrus, visit CaliforniaCitrusThreat.org.

By working together, we can save California citrus.