

BADGER MEMO



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NPC Certification Meeting (Alex Crockford)

National Potato Council Certification Committee and Potato Association of America Certification Section meeting notes.

US Certification programs, despite challenging regional weather, had good growing and harvest seasons. US seed potato acreage is up slightly with Idaho and Wisconsin with notable increases.

We anticipate that USDA APHIS will be finalizing the Necrotic Virus Management Plan (NVMP) in 2022. Which will mean we will be moving forward on adopting sampling programs that allow pre-clearance on the 2022 crop and be prepared otherwise for testing of tubers with necrosis at shipping point exceeding NVMP tolerances.

Wisconsin, Michigan and North Dakota, who planted in the same field in Florida, have suffered a near complete drown out of their plots. Maine tests sprouted tubers, Oregon tests greenhouse tubers, and the remaining states and western provinces of Canada are in Hawaii.

Beginning in 2021, Maine will no longer require a post-harvest test on seed for commercial use. The post-harvest test will remain a requirement in Maine, for recertification in other certification programs and for export to Canada. Maine has been conducting their post-harvest test from sprouts over the last three years.

In absence of the post-harvest test, where visual inspection for Potato Leaf Roll Virus (PLRV) typically occurs, some states will require both a PVY and PLRV ELISA test: CO, ID, ME, MN, NE, NB and PEI. The PLRV and PVY ELISA tests can be conducted on the same sample of tubers.

States and Canadian Provinces will allow either an ELISA test on sprouts or a PCR direct-tuber test.

Canada had another 2 visual Potato Wart finds in late 2021, which follows finds on a seed farm in PEI in 2020. Exports from PEI have been halted. According to CFIA, the two new finds appear to be unrelated to another and to the 2020 finds. Canada continues to investigate all finds with trace back and trace forwards and also has begun a national survey for potato wart.



The brusher has been raised for easier cleanout and rollers were replaced

State Farm Update

The state Farm is currently going through and revamping some of the grading equipment. These improvements will help with rock elimination and dirt removal. The hope is to provide a cleaner product in a more efficient time.

Testing Requirements for Trade within US and Canada

Keep in mind if you are importing to another state, they may have other test requirements other than a winter test grow out. Please look at the table for lots grow out of state.

The Wisconsin Seed Potato Certification Office will be doing Late Blight Incubation in Antigo so if you need this done please make arrangement to have test done 50 days before lot is shipped. If have any questions on the testing requirement, please contact the Wisconsin Seed Potato Certification Office at 715-623-4039.

	Lab Test PVY		Grow-out Required (Green-house or field)	Soil sampling	Other Requirements to import into these states/provinces
	All Varieties	Latent *			
US Agency					
Alaska	-	-			
California	-	-			
Colorado	✓	✓			Late blight incubation required all seed all areas of Colorado, PLRV in absence of visuals
Idaho	✓	✓			BRR G1 and later gen, PVY, PLRV (visual or ELISA).
Maine	-	✓			PLRV (visual or ELISA)
Michigan	-	✓			
Minnesota	-	-			PLRV (visual or ELISA)
Montana	NA	NA			Montana does not allow seed import into certification
North Dakota	-	-			PLRV (visual or ELISA)
Nebraska/WY	-	-			Root Knot Nematode if in area known to be present or unknown, PLRV (visual or ELISA)
New York	-	-			
Oregon	-	-			
Washington	-	-			
Wisconsin	-	✓	✓		Growout (field or greenhouse) required for recertification, PLRV (visual or ELISA).
Canada Agency	-	-		PCN	BRR
-New Brunswick	✓	-		PCN	BRR, PLRV
-PEI	✓	-		PCN	BRR, PLRV

* Latent varieties generally include: Shepody, Norkotah, Silvertop, Nicolet, Clearwater, etc.

State Farm Needs and Wants

1. An 18 hole Iron Age planter carousel wheel (only need one, but would take additional for backup). Part number P172. The 15 hole is part P162.

Please call Matt Cogger (715)525-1643 about any information regarding this item.

Upcoming Events

- January 26 WSPIA Annual Meeting
- February 8-10 WPVGA Grower Ed Meeting
- July 21 Hancock Research Station Field Day
- July 22 Antigo Research Station Field Day

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