#### **California**

## California's second case of huanglongbing discovered

By TIM HEARDEN Capital Press

SACRAMENTO — California's second case of the devastating citrus disease huanglongbing has been discovered in Los Angeles County, a state agency reports.

The disease was found in plant material taken from a kumquat tree in a residential neighborhood in the San Gabriel area, about 15 miles from where the first case occurred in 2012, according to the state Department of Food and Agriculture.

A CDFA crew has removed the tree and is treating other citrus trees within about a half-mile for infestations of the Asian citrus psyllid, which carries



Courtesy of UC Regents

Mottling and yellowing of foliage that crosses leaf veins is a symptom of huanglongbing, the disease that causes citrus greening. A second case of huanglongbing has been found in a residential neighborhood in Los Angeles County.

the disease, officials said.

"Citrus is a cherished part of our landscape and our shared history, as well as a major agricultural crop," CDFA secretary Karen Ross said in a statement.

"We have been planning and preparing for HLB detections with our growers and our colleagues at the federal and local levels since before the Asian citrus psyllid was first detected

here in 2008."

Huanglongbing isn't harmful to humans or animals but causes discoloration of fruit and leaves and eventually kills the tree. The University of Florida has estimated that the disease has caused more than 6,500 lost jobs, \$1.3 billion in lost revenue to growers and \$3.6 billion in lost economic activity in Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, South Carolina and Texas, where the disease is present.

With the latest detection, an intensive survey of citrus trees and psyllids is underway to determine if HLB exists elsewhere in the San Gabriel area, according to a state news release.

The area will likely be added to a quarantine that now encompasses all or parts of 17 California counties. Last added costs for growers in a week, a 9-square-mile area in the southern San Francisco Bay area was placed under quarantine after a psyllid was found in San Jose, and in mid-June, two additional portions of Kern County were added after two psyllids were found in Bakersfield.

Under the quarantine, host nursery stock is prohibited from being shipped except for nursery stock and budwood grown in USDA-approved structures designed to keep the psyllid out. All untreated citrus fruit has to be cleaned of leaves and stems prior to moving out of the area.

While the quarantines haven't prevented growers from getting their fruit harvested or moved, treating orchards has season in which crop loads and acreages have been diminished in many areas because of the drought.

In February, the USDA announced in specialty-crop funding for prevention and research into huanglongbing, including more than \$4.5 million to the University of California-Davis and nearly \$1.7 million to UC-Riverside.

Meanwhile, the state's Citrus Pest and Disease Prevention Program has been working with trade organizations in distributing tips to nurseries touting best practices such as arranging citrus trees to encourage the sale of older plants first. The effort is funded by an 8-cent-per-carton assessment on growers.



Courtesy of Calif. Department of Water Resources

Julie Saare-Edmonds, a landscape specialist for the state Department of Water Resources, offers advice on how to water trees in a drought at a booth in the California State Fair's farm. The fair in Sacramento runs through July 26.

### Water-saving tips offered at California State Fair

By TIM HEARDEN Capital Press

SACRAMENTO — Water-saving tips to weather the drought are key features at this year's California State Fair, which runs through July

The state Department of Water Resources' award-winning "Californians Don't Save Water in Your Home" exhibit in the Counties Building offers hands-on demonstrations of ways to conserve water in kitchens, laundry rooms and bathrooms.

The agency also has an outdoor booth at the fair's farm at which experts such as landscape specialist Julie Saare-Edmonds give tips on landscape irrigation efficien-

"We're pleased by the turnout at the State Fair and the interest fairgoers show in our exhibits," DWR spokeswoman Elizabeth Scott said in an email. "We're also finding that the drought seems to be on everybody's mind. Not only are folks interested in hearing from us about new ways to conserve, but they want to share with us what they've been doing at home to save water. That's encour-

aging." The 162nd state exposition opened on a cool morning July 10 with the theme, "The Best is Back." The Golden State's abundance of crops and farm animals always take center stage at the fair, as its 32-year-old farm is one of the most popular destinations for attendees.

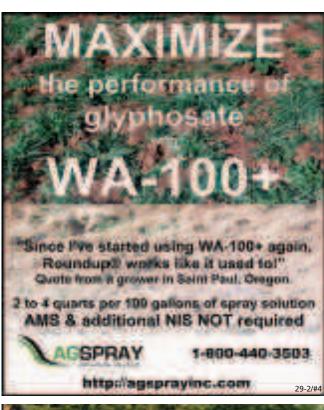
The farm's attractions include a daily farmers' market, an outdoor kitchen grill, an aquaculture exhibit, an insect pavilion and talks by the University of California's Master Gardeners. A local supermarket chain also sponsors a "passport" program in which families can learn about crops and healthy eating while they visit the farm and eat a snack at the end.

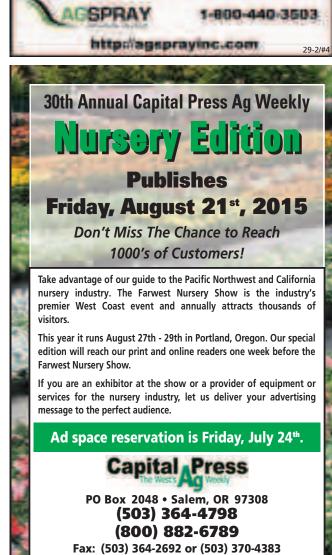
Nearby, the fair's livestock building and adjacent shaded stalls feature some 4,500 entries during the course of the festival, as livestock exhibits are shown in shifts. Entrants compete in youth and open divisions.

The DWR's water-saving tips come as urban areas

are under a state mandate to reduce their water use by at least 25 percent from 2013 levels, with some areas facing targets of up to 36 percent. Farms statewide have had their surface water allocations drastically reduced or shut off completely.

The department's outdoor exhibit includes a low-water garden maintained with a water-efficient irrigation system. The exhibit offers drought-tolerant plant ideas and tips for conserving water with compost and mulch, according to a news release.





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#### Court blocks water cutbacks for some California farmers

By FENIT NIRAPPIL Associated Press

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — A judge ruled July 10 that California regulators violated some farmers' rights by telling them to stop diverting from rivers and streams, but the state says it can still punish those who illegally take water.

The ruling by Sacramento Superior Court Shelleyanne Chang blocks the state from punishing farmers who ignored a state notice issued earlier this year to immediately stop diverting water. The ruling only applies to dozens of farmers in the Central Valley and the irrigation districts serving them.

Residents, farmers and businesses across California have endured water cutbacks because of the state's four-year dry spell. Those cutbacks include notices by the State Water Resources

Control Board that rivers and streams are running too dry to provide water entitled to them under their water rights. Thousands have received

these so-called curtailment notices in the last year, but only about a third responded to confirm they stopped taking water. The judge ruled that the water board's notice improperly told districts and land owners with water rights to stop taking water without holding a hearing first.

The ruling bars the state from fining people who don't fill out paperwork responding to notices, but regulators can still target them for investigations of illegal water diversions. Penalties are as high as \$1,000 a day and \$2,500 per acre-foot of water illegally taken.

Attorneys for water rights holders say the ruling throws all the state's cutbacks into question.

"The practical implication is that the court has reminded the state board that water rights are a form of property rights, and they have to use a lot more care when they are trying to regulate them," said Jennifer Spaletta, an attorney for the Central Delta Water Agency which represented dozens of farmers with water rights.

The State Water Resources Control Board says the ruling may require it to tweak its notice letters, but still allows it to punish those who illegally take wa-

"As it keeps getting drier as summer goes on, the notices have to go out to more and more people, but the judge only took umbrage with some of the language, said David Rose, an attorney with the water board.

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