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# Idaho Potato Cyst Nematode Cooperative Program Update



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## Moving Hay in the PCN-regulated Area

### PCN Program Facts

(Through 10/17/06)

<i>Date of Detection</i>	4/19/06
<i>Positive Fields</i>	5
<i>Production Fields Surveyed</i>	196
<i>Seed Fields Surveyed</i>	333
<i>Facilities Surveyed</i>	56
<i>Samples Collected</i>	>21,800
<i>Compliance Agreements</i>	79

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### Hours of Operation:

Monday through Friday  
8:00am-4:30pm  
Saturday  
8:00am-12:00pm

Movement of hay originating in the Potato Cyst Nematode-regulated area to locations outside of this region is affected by the Emergency Order 7 USC 7712 and IDAPA 02.06.10.

The Order prohibits the movement of soil adhering to articles, such as hay bales, from the regulated area. Hay bales cannot be re-conditioned or cleaned to remove soil, unlike the available cleaning option of pressure-washing and steam cleaning to remove soil from farm and construction equipment.

In order to allow the free movement of hay from the



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regulated area, measures can be taken to prevent soil contamination. Storage of bales on hard surfaces, impermeable surfaces or in grassy areas can prevent contamination with soil and facilitate shipment. Bales with soil adhering to them will not be allowed to move outside of the regulated area. Hay bales are inspected by a regulatory officer of the Project to declare them free of soil, and to allow movement with the use of a limited permit, issued by the officer. A compliance agreement that specifies the

methods a grower will employ to prevent soil contamination of bales can be convenient for growers shipping multiple hay loads at different times.

In every case a limited permit must accompany each shipment leaving the regulated area.

For further information, please contact the Project at (208) 841-1305.

## Potato Movement Outside of the PCN regulated Area

Potatoes make fine gifts to share with friends and family and just about everyone would like some for the pantry, but please remember that only potatoes from non-regulated areas are allowed to move with-

out the use of a limited permit. Officers at the PCN Project office can verify that potatoes intended for movement outside the area are free of soil and issue a limited permit authorizing movement. However, it is best to ob-

tain such gift/home use potatoes from non-regulated areas. If you have questions about this or other issues related to the PCN Cooperative Program, call us at the contact number provided.