

**Basis for changes to the Pale Cyst Nematode (PCN) Regulated Area
December 12, 2016**

The following changes have been made to the PCN regulated area since the May 17, 2016, publication:

Approximately 304 acres have been released from regulation under the Federal PCN Final Rule (effective April 29, 2009). The locations of fields that have been deregulated after completing a release protocol comprised of a sequence of surveys with negative laboratory results for PCN, in accordance with the Federal PCN Final Rule, subpart 301.86-3(d)(2) *Removal of fields from quarantine – Associated fields*, are as follows: Bingham County—T 01 N, R 37 E, Sections 26, 35; Bonneville County T 01 N, R 38 E, Section 4; T 02 N, R 38 E, Section 36.

After further investigation, approximately 9 acres were released upon determination that a portion of a field did not meet the ‘associated field’ definition according to the PCN Final Rule subpart 301.86-3(c)(2)(iii) *Criteria for designation of fields as infested fields and associated fields – Associated fields*. The location of the field is as follows: Bingham County T 02 S, R 36 E, Section 13.

This change brings the current regulated area to 9,540 acres, of which 2,897 acres are infested fields.