Basis for changes to the Pale Cyst Nematode (PCN) Regulated Area March 14, 2012

Since the last update to the PCN Regulated Area on February 9, 2012, approximately 1,302 acres have been released from regulation under the Federal PCN Final Rule (effective April 29, 2009).

Approximately 1,179 acres were released after completing a deregulation 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*. The locations of fields deregulated are as follows: Bingham County – T01N, R37E, section 36; T02S, R34E, section 18; T02S, R35E, sections 30 and 31; Bonneville County – T01N, R38E, section 30; T02N, R38E, section 32; T03N, R37E, sections 16, 21, and 22.

A 123-acre field was released upon determination that it did not meet the definition of 'associated field' according to the PCN Final Rule (effective April 29, 2009), subpart 301.86-3(c)(2)(iii) *Criteria for designation of fields as infested fields and associated fields - Associated fields*. The field is located in T01S, R37E, section 10.

These changes bring the current regulated area to 14,455 acres, of which 1,756 acres are infested fields.