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Stakeholder Risk Assessment Consultation

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APHIS shares draft pest risk assessments with the public to determine whether stakeholders have information that might lead us to revise the draft assessment before we identify pest mitigations and proceed with official rulemaking. This service allows stakeholders to review and provide comments on draft risk assessments or pest lists for fruits, vegetables, plants, or plant products for a 30-day period.

As draft risk assessments and pest lists are made available for comment, they will be posted on this page with the date by which comments are due.

Currently there are no draft pest risk assessments available for comment. Please check back at a later time or subscribe to receive automatic notifications.

How to Submit Comments

Please submit your comments to PPQPRAComments@usda.gov.

You will need to include the name of the commodity assessed by the draft document (examples: apples, spruce trees) in the Subject line of your emailed comment.

Your comments will be considered for scientific and technical issues raised and may result in changes to the risk assessments or pest lists. However, we are unable to provide you with individual feedback regarding your comment. When providing comments, please note:

- You will not find mitigations for pests shown in draft pest lists and risk assessments. Risk Management, including mitigations, is conducted after we receive stakeholder and country comments on each pest list or risk assessment.
- This stakeholder consultation service differs from providing official comments
 once a rule or notice is published in the Federal Register. You will have an
 additional opportunity to provide comments on our risk assessments or pest
 lists when the respective proposed rules or notices are available for comment in
 the Federal Register.

How to Receive Automatic Notifications

To receive automatic notifications that risk assessments or pest lists have been posted to this website for review and comment, we encourage interested stakeholders to subscribe to the <u>APHIS Stakeholder Registry</u> "Risk Analysis and Assessments" topic. Depending on your interests select other topics such as "Fruits and Vegetables Imports" and "Plants for Planting". All three of these topics may be found on the list by expanding the headings "APHIS - Plant Health Information" > "Importation into the US" > "Entry Requirements".

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