

2014 - 2015

INDUSTRY AFFIRMATION AGREEMENT

FOR CHINA CITRUS EXPORTS

1. Packinghouses and their affiliated growers agree to implement the following mitigation measures to control *Phytophthora* for citrus exports to China:

- Skirt prune trees
- Harvest only fruit that is higher than 50 cm (20 inches) from the ground
- Monitor for *Phytophthora*
- Apply at least one copper application after the first rainfall
- Make preventative copper applications based on rainfall, temperature and *Phytophthora* infection
- Packinghouses must screen and remove decayed fruit
- There is a zero tolerance for rot during county inspectors. Grower lots in which rot is detected during inspection will be rejected.
- Phytosanitary Certificates should include a declaration stating “This shipment complies with ‘The Protocol of Phytosanitary Requirements of California Citrus Exported to China’ and ‘Supplementary Inspection and Quarantine Requirements for California Citrus to be exported to China.’”

2. Required Documentation

Packinghouses will (i) sign this affirmation letter which affirms that the mitigation measures noted above were implemented in accordance with University of California guidelines, and (ii) secure a signed standard operating procedures (SOP) document with growers participating in the China export program.

3. Verification

Packinghouses will maintain a signed copy of the affirmation document and SOPs document and make records available to APHIS or their authorized representative upon request.

Affirmation

Packinghouse: _____

Owner/Manager: _____

Authorized Signature: _____

Date: _____