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A new potato alert was posted to PNWPestAlert.net.

Alert Information:

Few potato psyllids were captured in our monitoring program this week overall, and psyllids were found this week only in Twin Falls County (however, results from several Treasure Valley sites have not yet been returned to us). One of these was a nymph, found in a vacuum sample from a commercial field; this is the first nymph found this summer in our monitoring program. In addition to the few psyllids found in our network of commercial potato fields, we also found four psyllids on yellow sticky cards near bittersweet nightshade sites in Twin Falls County, and several potato psyllids on sticky cards and in vacuum samples taken from insecticide trials at the Kimberly R&E Center.

Nearly all of the Idaho Potato Team has been at the Potato Association of America meetings in Spokane this week. We regret the delay this has caused in testing psyllids for Lso (liberibacter; the bacterium that causes zebra chip). Samples are currently being processed and we expect to post results to the spreadsheets below by early next week.

Detailed results for the "intense" fields, which are monitored with 10 sticky traps, vacuum samples, and leaf samples are here:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/ccc?key=0AuZRwfbNUs2YdG15WTNRmKEtHRWRGhpM2ltSXBir3c#gid=0>

Detailed results for the "light" fields, which are monitored with 4 sticky traps are here:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/cc?key=0AuZRwfbNU2YdGVrX2t2NGs0YzlYYUZaQkNaejhES2c#gid=0>

More information and resources on potato psyllids and zebra chip, including management and scouting recommendations, can be found at the link below.

<http://extension.uidaho.edu/kimberly/tag/potato-psyllid-and-zebra-chip/>

To view the full alert, and to download any attached files, please go to www.pnwpestartert.net

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