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A new potato alert was posted to PNWPestAlert.net.

Alert Information:

Three potato psyllids were found this week in University of Idaho's potato psyllid monitoring program. One psyllid was found for the first time at the Kimberly Research & Extension Center (Twin Falls County) in a vacuum sample from our insecticide trial plots. Two additional psyllids (one per field) were found in potato fields in Twin Falls and Jerome Counties on sticky traps. These psyllids are on their way to be tested for liberibacter (Lso, the bacterium that causes zebra chip). All psyllids collected so far this year have been negative for Lso. Some sticky cards have yet to be returned to our lab; results from those sites will be posted early next week.

We still encourage monitoring of potato psyllids, and insecticide programs should be prepared.

Online spreadsheets with detailed results of psyllid captures are available at the links below. These are updated periodically over the week as data come into our lab.

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

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/ccc?key=0AuZRwfbNU2YdG15WTNRMkEteHRWRGhpM2ItSXBir3c#gid=0>

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

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/ccc?key=0AuZRwfbNU2YdGVrX2t2NGs0YzIYYUZaQkNaeihES2c#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.pnwpestaalert.net

Thank you for your interest,

The Treasure Valley and Pacific Northwest Pest Alert Network

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