and accompanied by a phytosanitary certificate issued by the NPPO stating that the fresh flowers of izote or immature inflorescences of pacaya in that consignment have been inspected and found free of the gray pineapple mealybug or the bean slug; and (2) Each shipment is subject to inspection upon arrival at the port of entry in the United States. Inspection is considered effective at finding external feeding pests such as the gray pineapple mealybug and the bean slug and excluding infested shipments from entering commerce. The symptoms of such infestations are macroscopic in nature. Gray pineapple mealybug infestation causes wilt, which is characterized by discoloration of leaves to yellows or reds and the loss of rigidity in leaves. Bean slug infestation is accompanied by leaf damage, which is the result of feeding.

Therefore, in accordance with the regulations in 319.56–4(c)(2)(ii), we are announcing our decision to authorize the importation into the United States of fresh edible flowers of izote, immature inflorescences of pacaya, immature inflorescences of chufle, and fresh leaves of chipilin from El Salvador provided that:

- The flowers, immature inflorescences, or leaves are subject to inspection upon arrival in the United States and comply with all applicable provisions of 319.56–3;
- The flowers, immature inflorescences, or leaves are inspected in the country of origin by an inspector or an official of the NPPO of El Salvador, and have been found free of one or more specific quarantine pests identified by the risk assessment as likely to follow the import pathway; and
- The flowers, immature inflorescences, or leaves are imported as commercial consignments only.

These conditions will be listed in the Fruits and Vegetables Import Requirements database (available at http://www.aphis.usda.gov/favic). In addition to these specific measures, the fresh edible flowers of izote, immature inflorescences of pacaya, immature inflorescences of chufle, and fresh leaves of chipilin from El Salvador will be subject to the general requirements listed in 319.56–3 that are applicable to the importation of all fruits and vegetables.


Done in Washington, DC, this 20th day of July 2011.

Kevin Shea,
Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. APHIS–2011–0072]

Plants for Planting Whose Importation Is Not Authorized Pending Pest Risk Analysis; Notice of Availability of Data Sheets for Taxa of Plants for Planting That Are Quarantine Pests or Hosts of Quarantine Pests

AGENCY: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: We are advising the public that we have determined that 41 taxa of plants for planting are quarantine pests and 107 taxa of plants for planting are hosts of 13 quarantine pests and therefore should be added to our lists of taxa of plants for planting whose importation is not authorized pending pest risk analysis. We have prepared data sheets that detail the scientific evidence we evaluated in making the determination that the taxa are quarantine pests or hosts of quarantine pests. We are making these data sheets available to the public for review and comment.

DATES: We will consider all comments that we receive on or before September 26, 2011.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by either of the following methods:

- Postal Mail/Commercial Delivery: Send your comment to Docket No. APHIS–2011–0072, Regulatory Analysis and Development, PPD, APHIS, Station 3A–03.8, 4700 River Road Unit 118, Riverdale, MD 20737–1238.

The data sheets and any comments we receive may be viewed at http://www.regulations.gov/ and document detail: Docket No. APHIS–2011–0072 or in our reading room, which is located in room 1141 of the USDA South Building, 14th Street and Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC. Normal reading room hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. To be sure someone is there to help you, please call (202) 690–2817 before coming.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Arnold Tschanz, Senior Plant Pathologist/Senior Risk Manager, Plants for Planting Policy, RPM, PPQ, APHIS, 4700 River Road Unit 133, Riverdale, MD 20737–1236; (301) 734–0627.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Under the regulations in “Subpart—Plants for Planting” (7 CFR 319.37 through 319.37–14, referred to below as the regulations), the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) of the U.S. Department of Agriculture prohibits or restricts the importation of plants for planting (including living plants, plant parts, seeds, and plant cuttings) to prevent the introduction of quarantine pests into the United States. Quarantine pest is defined in §319.37–1 as a plant pest or noxious weed that is of potential economic importance to the United States and not yet present in the United States, or present but not widely distributed and being officially controlled.

In a final rule published in the Federal Register on May 27, 2011 (76 FR 31172–31210, Docket No. APHIS–2006–0011), and effective on June 27, 2011, we established in §319.37–2a a new category of plants for planting whose importation is not authorized pending pest risk analysis (NAPPRA) in order to prevent the introduction of quarantine pests into the United States. The final rule established two lists of taxa whose importation is NAPPRA: A list of taxa of plants for planting that are quarantine pests, and a list of taxa of plants for planting that are hosts of quarantine pests. For taxa of plants for planting that have been determined to be quarantine pests, the list will include the names of the taxa. For taxa of plants for planting that are hosts of quarantine pests, the list will include the names of the taxa, the foreign places from which the taxa’s importation is not authorized, and the quarantine pests of concern. The final rule did not add any taxa to the NAPPRA lists.

Paragraph (b) of §319.37–2a describes the process for adding taxa to the NAPPRA lists. In accordance with that process, this notice announces our determination that 41 taxa of plants for planting are quarantine pests and 107 taxa of plants for planting are hosts of 13 quarantine pests.

This notice also makes available data sheets that detail the scientific evidence we evaluated in making the determination that a taxa are quarantine pests or hosts of a quarantine...
pest. The data sheets include references to the scientific evidence we used in making these determinations.

A complete list of the taxa of plants for planting that we have determined to be quarantine pests or hosts of quarantine pests, along with the data sheets supporting those determinations, may be viewed on the Regulations.gov Web site or in our reading room (see ADDRESSES above for a link to Regulations.gov and information on the location and hours of the reading room). You may request paper copies of the list and data sheets by calling or writing to the person listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

For taxa of plants for planting that are hosts of quarantine pests, the data sheets specify the countries from which the taxa’s importation would not be authorized pending pest risk analysis. In most cases, the importation of the taxa would not be allowed from any country. In some cases, the taxa would be allowed to be imported from Canada. We would allow such importation when Canada is free of the quarantine pest for which the taxa are hosts and when Canada’s import regulations and our restrictions specific to Canada ensure that the pest would not be introduced into the United States through the importation of the taxa from Canada.

In a few cases, the taxa would be allowed to be imported from countries that are currently exporting the taxa to the United States, subject to restrictions in a Federal Order that was issued previously. We would continue to allow such importation based on our experience with importing those taxa of plants for planting and our findings, through inspection, that they are generally pest free, and based on our determination that the restrictions in the Federal Order are sufficient to mitigate the risk associated with the quarantine pest in question.

After reviewing any comments we receive, we will announce our decision regarding the addition of the taxa described in the data sheets to the NAPPRA lists in a subsequent notice. If the Administrator’s determination that the taxa are quarantine pests or hosts of quarantine pests remains unchanged following our consideration of the comments, then we will add the taxa described in the data sheets to the appropriate NAPPRA list.


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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Chequamegon Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Chequamegon Resource Advisory Committee will meet in Park Falls, Wisconsin. The committee is meeting as authorized under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act (Pub. L 110–343) and in compliance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act. The purpose is to hold a meeting to review Title II projects and recommend funding of projects in accordance with Public Law 110–343.

DATES: The meeting will be held on August 30, 2011, and will begin at 12:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Forest Service Park Falls Office, Large Conference Room, 1170 4th Ave South, Park Falls, WI. Written comments should be sent to Sarah Yoshikane, Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest, P.O. Box 578, 113 East Bayfield St., Washburn, WI 54891. Comments may also be sent via e-mail to syoshikane@fs.fed.us, or via facsimile to 715–373–2878.

All comments, including names and addresses when provided, are placed in the record and are available for public inspection and copying. The public may inspect comments received at Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest, 113 East Bayfield St., Washburn, WI 54891. Visitors are encouraged to call ahead to 715–373–2667 to facilitate entry into the building.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sarah Yoshikane, RAC coordinator, USDA, Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest, 113 East Bayfield St., Washburn, WI 54891; (715) 373–2667; e-mail syoshikane@fs.fed.us.

Individuals who use telecommunication devices for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, Monday through Friday.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting is open to the public. The following business will be conducted: (1) Review and status updates on approved Title II projects (2) Recommend funding of Title II project proposals in accordance with Public Law 110–343; and (3) Public Comment. Persons who wish to bring related matters to the attention of the Committee may file written statements with the Committee staff before or after the meeting.

Dated: July 20, 2011.

Owen C. Martin, Deputy Forest Supervisor.

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