

Queensland fruit fly outbreak Yarra Valley

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A Queensland fruit fly (QFF) outbreak has been detected in the Yarra Valley Pest Free Place of Production (PFPP). Movement of fruit produced within the PFPP now requires treatment to access fruit fly sensitive markets.

MOVEMENT OF FRUIT FLY HOST PRODUCE

QFF host produce must be treated in an approved manner prior to consignment to fruit fly sensitive markets. QFF host produce includes citrus (oranges, mandarins, tangelos, lemons, limes, grapefruit), figs, persimmons, pome fruit (apples, pears, quince), grapes, eggplants, tomatoes, capsicums, chillies, stone fruit (cherries, peaches, plums, nectarines, apricots) and berry fruits including blueberries and strawberries.

TREATMENT OPTIONS FOR FRUIT FLY

All treatment options for host produce are acceptable for sensitive Victorian markets (Sunraysia PFA), with a number of these options also available for interstate markets. Post-harvest treatments may not be suitable for some host fruits.

Victorian Plant Standards Officers can accredit growers/packers to undertake treatments and to issue relevant certification. The arrangements in the table below are available for access to specific markets.

MOVEMENT OF INFESTED PRODUCE

Under Section 18 of the *Plant Biosecurity Act 2010* (the Act), it is an offence to knowingly sell QFF infested produce. Any business found to be operating contrary to the Act may be prosecuted. Infested produce detected in Victoria may be returned, treated or destroyed at the owner's expense.

AREA AFFECTED BY OUTBREAK

All businesses that were accredited under the PS-37: Yarra Valley Pest Free Places of Production procedure are no longer able to trade under QFF freedom.

A map of the Yarra Valley Pest Free Places Production area is attached to this notice.

FURTHER INFORMATION

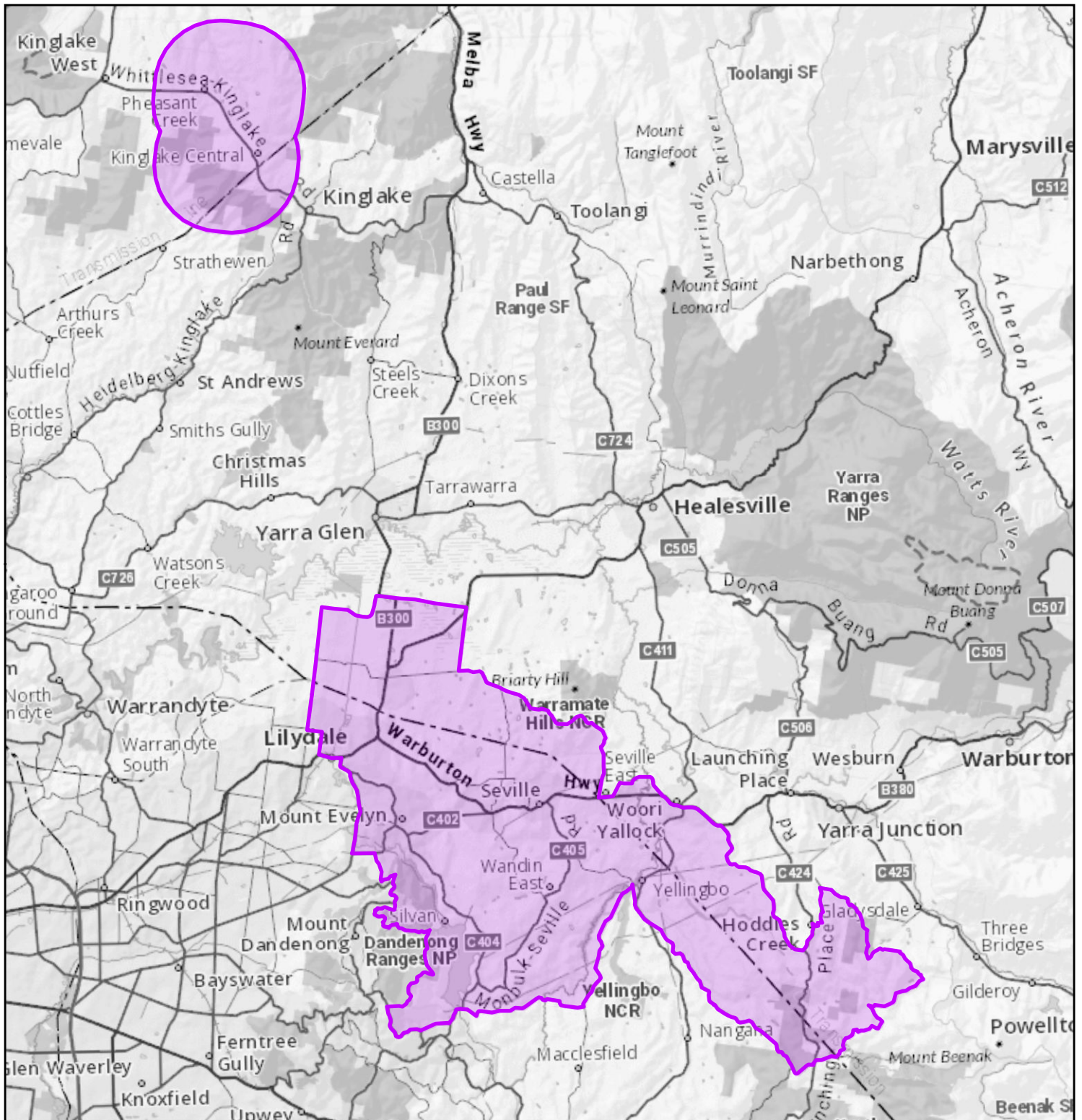
For further information regarding movement and treatment requirements, please contact your local Agriculture Victoria Plant Standards Officer by telephone on 136 186 or email: plant_standards@ecodev.vic.gov.au


This document is also available at: www.agriculture.vic.gov.au/plantnotices

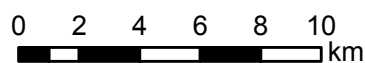
	Procedure Title	Fruits covered	States accepting
ICA-01	Post-harvest treatment dipping for quarantine	Citrus, including oranges, lemons, mandarins and limes. Excluding Meyer lemon, Seville Orange and Cumquat	Vic, NSW, SA
ICA-02	Post-harvest treatment flood spraying for quarantine	Citrus, including oranges, lemons, mandarins and limes. Excluding Meyer lemon, Seville Orange and Cumquat	Vic, NSW, SA
ICA-04	Post-harvest treatment fumigation for quarantine	All produce	All states
ICA-07	Post-harvest treatment cold storage	All produce	All states
ICA-13	Unbroken Skin Condition	Pomegranate	Vic, NSW, SA
ICA-20	Pre-harvest treatment and inspection of table grapes	Table grapes	Vic, NSW, SA
ICA-21	Pre-harvest treatment and inspection of stonefruit, pome fruit, persimmons and blueberries	Stonefruit, pome fruit, persimmons and blueberries	Vic, NSW, SA (low-chill only)
ICA-26	Pre-harvest treatment and inspection of tomatoes, capsicums, chillies and eggplant	Tomatoes, capsicums, chillies and eggplant	Vic, NSW, SA
ICA-33	Movement of wine grapes	Wine grapes	Vic, NSW, SA

Pest Free Places of Production Buffer Area

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 Buffer Area boundary



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