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Plant Health and Plant Products Act 1995

ORDER DECLARING A RESTRICTED AREA AT MERBEIN FOR THE CONTROL OF QUEENSLAND FRUIT FLY

I, Peter Walsh, Minister for Agriculture and Food Security, under section 20 of the **Plant Health and Plant Products Act 1995** make the following Order declaring a restricted area for the control of Queensland Fruit Fly and specifying the prohibitions, restrictions and requirements which are to operate in the restricted area.

Dated 23 February 2011

PETER WALSH MLA
Minister for Agriculture and Food Security

1. Objective

The objective of this Order is to declare a restricted area for the control of Queensland Fruit Fly at Merbein, and to specify the prohibitions, restrictions and requirements which are to operate in the restricted area.

2. Authorising provisions

This Order is made under section 20 of the **Plant Health and Plant Products Act 1995**.

3. Definition

In this Order –

‘**accreditation program**’ means any program under which a person is permitted to issue an assurance certificate, including any procedures available under the Interstate Certification Assurance (ICA) Scheme;

‘**Act**’ means the **Plant Health and Plant Products Act 1995**;

‘**authorised person**’ means a person authorised by the Department of Primary Industries;

‘**inspector**’ means a person authorised as an inspector under the Act;

‘**Manager Plant Standards**’ means the person for the time being occupying or acting in the position of Manager, Plant Standards in the Department of Primary Industries;

‘**Queensland Fruit Fly**’ means the exotic pest *Bactrocera tryoni* (Froggatt); and

‘**Queensland Fruit Fly host material**’ means any fruit or vegetable listed in Schedule 1.

4. Restricted area for the control of Queensland Fruit Fly

The restricted area for the control of Queensland Fruit Fly is declared to be the area described in Schedule 2.

5. Prohibitions, restrictions and requirements

(1) The removal from the restricted area into any part of Victoria of any Queensland Fruit Fly host material is prohibited.

(2) Subclause (1) does not apply if the Queensland Fruit Fly host material is –

(a) packed, labelled and certified in accordance with any conditions prescribed by an accreditation program, administered by the Department of Primary Industries; or

(b) accompanied by a plant health declaration issued by an authorised person declaring that the host material has been treated in a manner approved by the Manager Plant Standards; or

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- (c) accompanied by a plant health certificate issued by an inspector certifying that the host material has been treated in a manner approved by the Manager Plant Standards.
- (3) The owners and occupiers of land described in Schedule 3 must give an inspector access to such land for the purposes of inspection, deployment of any lures or traps, application of any treatment or performance of any other actions which are necessary for the eradication or prevention of spread of the pest.
- (4) The owners and occupiers of land described in Schedule 3 must, on instruction from an inspector, strip Queensland Fruit Fly host materials from plants, collect and dispose of waste material, or treat the material in a manner approved by the Manager Plant Standards.

6. Verification of Consignments

Any Queensland Fruit Fly host material removed from the restricted area in accordance with clause 5(2), and the accompanying certificate or declaration, must be:

- (1) presented to an inspector for inspection; or
- (2) verified by a person accredited to do so by the Department of Primary Industries.

Schedule 1

Abiu	Eggplant	Nectarine
Acerola	Feijoa	Orange
Apple	Fig	Passionfruit
Apricot	Goji Berry	Pawpaw
Avocado	Granadilla	Peach
Babaco	Grape	Peacharine
Banana	Grapefruit	Pear
Black Sapote	Grumichama	Pepino
Blackberry	Guava	Persimmon
Blueberry	Hog Plum	Plum
Boysenberry	Jaboticaba	Plumcot
Brazil Cherry	Jackfruit	Pomegranate
Breadfruit	Jew Plum	Prickly Pear
Caimito (Star Apple)	Ju Jube	Pummelo
Cape Gooseberry	Kiwifruit	Quince
Capsicum	Lemon	Rambutan
Carambola (Starfruit)	Lime	Raspberry
Cashew Apple	Loganberry	Rollinia
Casimiroa (White Sapote)	Longan	Santol
Cherimoya	Loquat	Sapodilla
Cherry	Lychee	Shaddock
Chilli	Mandarin	Soursop
Citron	Mango	Strawberry
Cocoa Berry	Mangosteen	Sweetsop (Sugar Apple)
Cumquat	Medlar	Tamarillo
Custard Apple	Miracle Fruit	Tangelo
Date	Mulberry	Tomato
Durian	Nashi	Wax Jambu (Rose Apple)

Schedule 2

The area of land in Victoria within a radius of fifteen kilometres of the outbreak epicentre at 142.05761° East, 34.16800° South.

Schedule 3

The area of land in Victoria within a radius of one and a half kilometres of the outbreak epicentre at 142.05761° East, 34.16800° South.

Note: Section 21 of the **Plant Health and Plant Products Act 1995** provides that a person is guilty of an offence and liable for a penalty not exceeding 50 penalty units in the case of a natural person, and 100 penalty units in the case of a body corporate, for moving any host material from a restricted area contrary to any restrictions, unless authorised to do so by a permit issued by an Inspector.

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