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IN THE MATTER OF THE CORN CYST  
NEMATODE QUARANTINE IN THE INFESTED  
AREAS OF CECIL, HARFORD, KENT AND  
QUEEN ANN'S COUNTIES, MARYLAND

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SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE

QUARANTINE ORDER #86-1

EFFECTIVE DATE MARCH 31, 1986

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QUARANTINE ORDER

Authority: Agric. Art. 5-304, Md. Ann. Code

I. PURPOSE

This Quarantine replaces the Secretary's Quarantine Order 84-1, effective May 1, 1984. The purpose of this Quarantine Order is to control, retard, or eradicate a dangerously injurious plant pest known as the corn cyst nematode (Heterodera zea). This plant pest is known to exist in certain areas of Cecil, Harford, Kent, and Queen Anne's Counties, Maryland, and is potentially injurious to corn and other agricultural crops. This Order quarantines those areas of the State infested with this nematode and regulates the movement of infested or infected plant material or nonplant material likely to transfer the infestation from the quarantine area to a noninfested area.

This Order defines the quarantine area and conditions regarding the intrastate movement of regulated articles.

II. QUARANTINE AREA

The areas of Maryland known as Cecil County south of U.S. Highway 1 and the Maryland-Pennsylvania State Line and west of the Maryland-Delaware State Line and U.S. Highway 301; Harford County southeast of U.S. Highway 1; Kent County west of U.S. Highway 301; and that portion of Queen Anne's County bounded by a line beginning at a point where U.S. Highway 301 intersects the Chester River, then southwesterly along said highway to its intersection with State Highway 304, then northwesterly along said highway to its intersection with the Chester River, then northeasterly along said river to U.S. Highway 301 (the point of beginning).

III. REGULATED ARTICLES

For the purpose of this Quarantine the following are regulated articles because they may distribute the corn cyst nematode:

- A. Soil, compost, humus, and muck, separately or with other things such as equipment;

- B. Plants with roots with soil attached, except house plants grown in a residence and not for sale;
- C. Grass sod;
- D. Any other plant, plant part, article, vehicle or means of conveyance of any character whatsoever, not mentioned above, when it is determined by the Secretary that it might serve as a means to spread this pest.

IV. CONDITIONS GOVERNING THE MOVEMENT OF REGULATED ARTICLES

- A. All regulated articles require a certificate before movement from a quarantined area. This certificate is issued by the Maryland Department of Agriculture, 50 Harry S. Truman Parkway, Annapolis, Maryland 21401, telephone (301) 841-5920.
- B. A certificate may be issued by the Department if a regulated article:
  - (i) has originated from a noninfested location in a regulated area and has not been exposed to infestation;
  - (ii) has been found to be free of infestation; or
  - (iii) has been treated to destroy infestation as required by the Maryland Department of Agriculture.

V. QUARANTINE DATE

This Quarantine Order is effective when signed by the Secretary of Agriculture and is in effect until the corn cyst nematode has been controlled in the quarantine area, or has been determined not to be a serious plant pest.

IV. ENFORCEMENT AND APPEAL

A person may not resist or oppose the Secretary or an authorized inspector in enforcing this Quarantine.

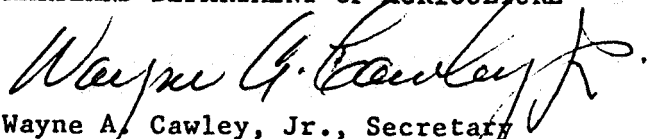
An authorized inspector may call upon the assistance of any law enforcement officer to enforce this Quarantine.

A person who violates this Quarantine is subject to criminal penalties as provided in Agriculture Article §12-121 et. seq., Md. Ann. Code.

A person who is aggrieved by this Quarantine may appeal, and request a hearing before the Secretary as provided in Agriculture Article §2-405, Md. Ann. Code. An appeal, however, does not stay this Quarantine.

This Quarantine is hereby ordered by the Maryland Secretary of Agriculture this 31st day of March 1986.

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