

A fatal tree disease called Huanglongbing (HLB) has been discovered in California. The disease kills trees and has no cure. It is spread by an insect called the Asian citrus psyllid.



Adult psyllids are 1/8th of an inch long.

Young psyllids produce a white, waxy substance.





Once a citrus tree is infected with HLB, leaves will have yellow asymmetrical blotching.



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WITH YOUR HELP, WE CAN SAVE BACKYARD CITRUS IN CALIFORNIA.

Don't move citrus — Do not move citrus plants, plant material or fruit in or out of quarantine areas or across state or international borders.

Inspect your trees — Inspect your citrus trees monthly, and whenever watering, spraying, pruning or tending trees, for signs of the HLB disease and the psyllid.

Plant responsibly — Plant trees from reputable, licensed California nurseries.

Talk to your local nursery — Ask about products that are available to help stop the Asian citrus psyllid.

Graft with care — Use only registered budwood that comes with source documentation.

Be mindful of clippings — Dry or double bag plant clippings prior to disposal.

Cooperate — Cooperate with agriculture crews who are trapping and treating for the pest and inspecting for HLB.

For more information, call the California Department of Food and Agriculture hotline at **1.800.491.1899**.

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