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# Division of Plant Industry

As a regulatory branch of the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the Division of Plant Industry works to detect, intercept and control plant and honey bee pests that threaten Florida's native and commercially grown plants and agricultural resources.

## Safeguarding Florida: It all begins with diagnostics



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  - [Bactericera cockerelli, Potato Psyllid](#) [  1011.4 kB ]
  - [Bactrocera dorsalis, Oriental Fruit Fly Complex](#) [  2 MB ]
  - [Fiorinia phantasma, Phantasma Scale, Potential Pest of Palms and Ornamental Plants](#) [  705 kB ]
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  - [Thysanofiorinia leei, Lychee Leei Scale](#) [  485.9 kB ]
  - [Tomato Brown Rugose Fruit Virus \( Tobamovirus, ToBRFV\)](#) [  844.4 kB ]

## You Can Help Protect Florida Agriculture

- [Declare Agricultural Items — Don't Pack a Pest](#): Unsuspecting travelers bring in plants, animals, animal products, food and other agricultural items that can contain harmful pests and diseases. When you travel, declare agricultural items and don't pack a pest.

- [Save the Guac](#): Learn more about the insect and disease threatening avocados, and what you can do to help. **Laurel wilt disease**, caused by a fungus transmitted by the invasive **redbay ambrosia beetle**, kills avocado and other trees in the laurel family. These insects can enter Florida on infested firewood and host trees from unregistered nurseries.

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## Laws and Regulations

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Chapter and Sections: [369.25](#), [570.32](#), [581](#), [586](#), [593](#)

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