

# Overview of Upcoming Changes to the Citrus Fruit Export Requirements to the European Union

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- 1. Changes are effective January 1st, 2018
- Changes effect fruit from both Canker and CBS Quarantines
  - a) EU recognized canker quarantine = entire state
  - b) EU recognized CBS quarantine = Hendry, Collier, Lee and Polk counties
  - c) Proof on BMPs for both canker and CBS (if in Q)

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#### **Other Collateral Changes**

- Grower CA (proof of Xcc & CBS BMPs)
- Harvester CA
- Trip Tickets
- USDA Fresh Fruit Shipment Procedures
- F&V Manifest added language
- Phytosanitary Certificate: Added Declaration (AD)

#### **Q & A's**

- 1. Do all cartons packed in a 'lot' with various destinations need to be inspected?
- 2. Can we inspect pallets?
- 3. Does an inspector need to be present during packing?
- 4. Can a block that failed the HP inspection be packed after Jan. 1st for the EU?
- 5. Can a 'spot' picked block found with canker during PH inspection (voided HP) be packed after Jan. 1st for the EU?
- 6. Can an inspected lot found with canker be reconditioned?
- 7. Should I get a HP?

#### **LAMP**

Who: European Commission (amending annexes to directives)

What: EU changes to receive citrus fruit from USA

When: Jan 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018

THANK YOU! QUESTIONS???



