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The Colorado Department of Agriculture's Division of Plant Industry performs a wide array of services for the public and engages in several important environmental and public health protection programs.

The Division of Plant Industry is committed to a better quality of life by:

- Serving the citizens of Colorado
- Improving the environment
- Providing consumer protection
- Assuring the integrity of agriculture and related industries through professionalism, communication, and teamwork.



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So what do we do?

EXPORTS AND IMPORTS OF PLANT PRODUCTS

The Colorado Department of Agriculture (CDA) facilitates the export of plant products and commodities to other countries and other states by inspecting these products and certifying that they are free of insects, nematodes, plant diseases and/or weeds PRIOR to shipment. This service is offered to comply with receiving country or state requirements and regulations.

Colorado has quarantines in place for the following pests and diseases:

- Japanese Beetle
- Potato Late Blight & Prunus Quarantines in the San Luis Valley
- Symptomless carriers of Peach Mosaic virus into Mesa County
- Noxious weeds

Each shipment or lot of plant material moving into Colorado must have a valid inspection certificate from the state of origin certifying that they are free from the above pests and diseases.



APIARY

The Apiary program provides inspections requested by beekeepers transporting bees outside Colorado to prevent the spread of diseases.

NURSERY

The Nursery Program inspects nursery stock offered for sale to protect consumers from sub-standard and/or pest infected stock.

ORGANIC CERTIFICATION

The Colorado Department of Agriculture is accredited by the USDA as an organic state certifier under the National Organic Program.

We certify crops, livestock, wild crop and processors as USDA Certified Organic through an application and certification program.

PESTICIDE PROGRAMS

The Pesticides Section regulates the distribution and use of pesticides in the state to ensure pesticides do not negatively impact public health or the environment.

We license and inspect Private and Commercial Pesticide Applicators to ensure proper use, storage and disposal of pesticides, as well as investigating pesticide misuse complaints.

We register all pesticides sold and license and inspect Pesticide Dealers that sell restricted use pesticides.

In addition, the Pesticide Section ensures compliance with Federal Worker Protection Standards, Federal Pesticide Record keeping requirements and administers the Pesticide Sensitive Registry.

PLANT PEST SURVEYS

The Cooperative Agricultural Pest Survey (CAPS) program performs early detection monitoring for exotic plant pests that threaten Colorado's agriculture and environment. Activities include trapping or sampling surveys of plant pests, and education/outreach on exotic and invasive species. Pests of concern include the emerald ash borer, Asian longhorned beetle, gypsy moth, potato cyst nematode, Karnal bunt and others.

SEED

The goal of the Seed Program is to enforce the Colorado Seed Act which requires that the seed label, the germination, and purity content of the seed is accurate.

The program also inspects the seed to ensure that prohibited noxious weeds are eliminated and restricted noxious weeds are below a certain level per pound of seed.

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