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To whom it may concern,

As a reminder, the Alaska Division of Agriculture would like to summarize the state quarantines for the importation of seed potatoes and tomato plants into the State of Alaska. These quarantines have been established to prevent harmful pests and pathogens from being introduced into Alaska.

The importation of seed potatoes are prohibited unless accompanied by:

- A North American Health or other Official Certificate that demonstrates each lot and field generation from the previous production year, does not exceed the Alaska Certified Seed Potato Program disease tolerances at final field inspection. Alaska Certified Seed Potato Disease maximum tolerances are as follows:

Factor	Percentage	Factor	Percentage
Potato Leaf Roll Virus (PLRV)	0.1	Spindle Tuber (PSTV)	0
Potato Virus Y (PVY)	0.1	Bacterial Ring Rot (BRR)	0
Potato Virus X (PVX) visible	0.2	Rhizoctonia	2
Blackleg	2		

To prevent the movement of Potato Late Blight Disease (*Phytophthora infestans*) into Alaska, the importation of seed potatoes and tomato plants are prohibited unless accompanied by:

- An Official Certificate that demonstrates that the certified seed potatoes and tomato plants were inspected, and no Late Blight was detected. Also, that the tomato plants were treated prior to shipping with a registered fungicide for Late Blight Disease control.

To prevent the movement of Columbia Root-knot Nematode (*Meloidognye chitwoodi*) into Alaska, the importation of seed potatoes are prohibited from Washington, Idaho, and specific counties in California, Oregon and Nevada that are in areas infected with this nematode.

Thank you for your cooperation in keeping harmful pests and pathogens out of Alaska! If you have any questions, please contact Jarrod Yelton at 907-761-3864/ email Jarrod.Yelton@alaska.gov or Janelle Curtis at 907-761-3881/ email Janelle.Curtis@alaska.gov.

Sincerely,

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