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SAGARPA Announces Fruit Fly Free Zones in San Luis Potosi

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Report Highlights:

The Secretariat of Agriculture, Livestock, Rural Development, Fisheries and Food (SAGARPA) recently announced on September 29, 2009, in the *Diario Oficial* (Federal Register) that various counties in the state of San Luis Potosi are either free of fruit flies or have low prevalence.

General Information:

Introduction: This report summarizes two announcements concerning fruit fly prevalence in the state of San Luis Potosi. The announcements were published in Mexico's "*Diario Oficial*" (Federal Register) on September 29, 2009, and declare counties as either free of fruit flies or with low prevalence. The decree lists the status of each county in San Luis Potosi.

Disclaimer: This summary is based on a *cursory* review of the subject announcement and therefore should not, under any circumstances, be viewed as a definitive reading of the regulation in question, or of its implications for U.S. agricultural export trade interests. In the event of a discrepancy or discrepancies between this summary and the complete regulation or announcement as published in Spanish, the latter shall prevail.

Title: Decree that Declares the Following Counties Free of the Fruit Fly Type *Anastrepha*: Ahualulco, Catorce, Cedral, Cerro de San Pedro, Charcas, Guadalcázar, Matehuala, Mexquitic de Carmona, Moctezuma, Salinas, Santo Domingo, Soledad de Graciano Sánchez, Vanegas, Venado, Villa de Arriaga, Villa de Guadalupe, Villa de la Paz, Villa de Ramos, Villa Hidalgo, Villa de Arista and Zaragoza from the state of San Luis Potosi.

Decree that Declares the Following Counties as Low Prevalence of the Fruit Fly Type *Anastrepha*: Alaquines, Cárdenas, Cerritos, Ciudad del Maíz, Ciudad Fernández, Lagunillas, Rayón, Rioverde, San Ciro de Acosta, Santa Catarina and Villa Juárez from the state of San Luis Potosi.

FAS/Mexico's Executive Summary: The Secretariat of Agriculture, Livestock, Rural Development, Fisheries and Food (SAGARPA) published two announcements in the *Diario Oficial* (Federal Register), on September 29, 2009, that declares some counties free of fruit flies and other counties as low prevalence. The decree only affects counties in the state of San Luis Potosi and is based on NOM-023-FITO-1995, which establishes the National Campaign against Fruit Flies. Since trade between the United States is fully open, several producer organizations, state governments and the federal government have joined efforts in order to establish fruit fly free zones, or low prevalent zones, so that trade may flow without restrictions.

The free zones impact approximately 302 hectares of peaches and nearly 1,073 tons of apples. The low prevalence zones benefit 4,460 hectares planted with citrus and an estimated production of 89,000 tons.

Important Dates

- 1. Publication Date:** September 29, 2009.
- 2. Effective Date:** September 30, 2009

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