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Mendocino County European Grapevine Moth Update

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Trapping Update

A single European Grapevine moth was found in a trap in a homeowner grapevine in south Ukiah yesterday by CDFA staff. This find will **not** result in another quarantine area since you must find 2 moths within three miles of each other. I have contacted the homeowner. They have stripped the vine of all green material and we will be looking at this for any eggs or larvae. The site will continue to be monitored. I will be doing an outreach via Thursday's newspaper to all backyard grape growers in Ukiah and the county in general.

Quarantine update

A **draft** of the proposed Federal Order has been sent to County Agricultural Commissioners for their review and comment. A critical issue for Mendocino County will be the handling of winegrapes from the quarantine area and the requirements for this fruit to leave the quarantine area for crushing. According to the draft Federal Order, there will **not** be **any** treatment required for winegrapes prior to movement within the quarantine area, or to leave the quarantine area. As it is currently written, all conveyances moving or holding grapes must be covered with screen or tarps to minimize the spread of EGVM. Table grapes would require treatment according to the draft order. I must stress that this is only a draft and that the state quarantine will be changed to make the requirements equivalent to the Federal Order. The state interior quarantine will ultimately govern movement within the state.