

# PIERCE'S DISEASE CONTROL PROGRAM

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This is a glassy-winged sharpshooter (GWSS) that spreads Pierce's disease (PD).



## How Can Nurseries Help Stop the Spread of GWSS?

Nursery stock is a high-risk commodity for spreading GWSS. Approximately 53% of California's 13,000 licensed nurseries are in GWSS infested counties. Many of these nurseries ship to the non-infested areas of the state. Activities to mitigate the risk of moving GWSS on nursery stock include:

- Inspection of nursery stock in infested areas prior to shipping to non-infested areas;
- Certification of shipments;
- Treatment of nursery stock when necessary;
- Trapping in and near nurseries shipping to non-infested areas;
- Pre-notifying destination counties of arriving shipments;
- Inspection of nursery stock at receiving nurseries prior to sale.



Example of GWSS Trap

## Nursery Compliance Agreement Types

A nursery in the GWSS infested area may be eligible to ship nursery stock (GWSS host plants) to non-infested areas of California under one of the following compliance agreement types:

- **Program Regulation**: (non-infested premise) Nursery is declared free of GWSS through trapping. Origin inspection of nursery stock and safeguarding treatment of plants is not required prior to shipping.
- **Master Permit**: (infested premise) Nursery is not able to achieve free-from status due to GWSS pest pressure but maintains a free-from loading dock, monitored by trapping. 100% origin inspection of plants and a safeguarding treatment is required prior to shipping.
- **Broker**: (non-infested premise) Nursery has no physical growing ground and does not take possession of plant material. Must buy plants from non-infested nurseries under existing GWSS compliance agreements.
- **Approved Treatment Program**: (infested premise) Nursery is trapped and a safeguarding treatment with an approved product (currently Tame or Sevin SL) is applied prior to shipping. 100% origin inspection of plants is not required.

