

## **Cooperative Agricultural Pest Survey**

Did you know that Alaska is the only state from which China and Taiwan will import seed potatoes? Alaskan potatoes are in demand because they have few pests and diseases. The Department of Natural Resources's Division of Agriculture works with producers, state and federal agencies, and experts at the University of Alaska to ensure that this competitive advantage is maintained. Under the Cooperative Agricultural Pest Survey Program, the Division monitors the variety and extent of pests and identifies new pests before they become established. Last summer, surveys indicated very low levels of plant parasites allowing continued export. Whether for your family's table or for export, Alaska's Division of Agriculture will assist farmers in the production of high-quality food.