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To whom it may concern,

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

To prevent the movement and spread of harmful pests and pathogens into and within Alaska, the importation and/ or sale of seed potatoes are prohibited unless they are:

- Accompanied by a North American Health or other Official Certificate, certified by the State or Country Official Seed Certifying Agency 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 and sale of seed potatoes and tomato plants are prohibited unless they are:

- 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 or would like more information, please contact me directly at 907-761-3866/ email Mia.Kirk@alaska.gov or Janelle Curtis at 907-761-3881/ email Janelle.Curtis@alaska.gov.

Sincerely,

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