

BIOSECURITY ALERT

7 April 2022

NEW RIVERLAND FRUIT FLY OUTBREAK: LOXTON NORTH

Vinehealth Australia would like to advise industry of:

1. A **new Queensland Fruit Fly (Qfly) outbreak in the Riverland at Loxton North.**

As a result of finding Queensland fruit flies in traps in the Loxton North area, PIRSA declared a new 'Loxton North' outbreak on 1 April 2022. The earliest anticipated reinstatement date for this outbreak is 29 November 2022.

2. **An update to the earliest anticipated reinstatement date for other existing Riverland outbreaks.**

Due to separate detections of Qfly within the existing Riverland Fruit Fly Affected Area (FFAA), the earliest anticipated reinstatement dates have been extended to:

- 28 November 2022 for Renmark West, Pike River and Pike River West outbreaks.
- 29 November 2022 for the Loxton outbreak.

The existing outbreak and suspension area boundaries for these four outbreaks remain unchanged. Note, however, that the Loxton Outbreak Area boundary has been redrawn where it originally transected a vineyard.

MAPS

For a map showing vineyards on Vinehealth's Register within the new **Loxton North Fruit Fly Affected Area**, refer [here](#), and within the **Outbreak Area** of this **Loxton North FFAA**, refer [here](#).

For a map showing vineyards on Vinehealth's Register within the **Riverland FFAA** (which includes all five outbreak and suspension areas), refer [here](#).

OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS

The current operational requirements for vineyards, and for the movement of grapes between vineyards and wineries is provided in [Vinehealth's Biosecurity Bulletin – Vintage requirements for fruit fly in South Australia](#) (version 3 Nov 2021).

If the situation of your vineyard, winery or vineyards you receive grapes from has changed given this new fruit fly outbreak, please read this [Biosecurity Bulletin](#) carefully to understand the implications to ensure you adhere to all relevant requirements.

FOR ASSISTANCE

- Call Vinehealth Australia's Technical Manager Suzanne McLoughlin on 0412 859 882 if you need assistance to identify if your property falls in the FFAA, or which part of the FFAA; or to understand the operational requirements documented in [Vinehealth's Biosecurity Bulletin](#).
- Call the PIRSA industry hotline on 1800 255 556 for assistance in obtaining accreditation or certification; and for all other industry queries (including for table grapes).
- For online industry support, refer to [PIRSA's website](#).
- To report suspected fruit fly and for non-commercial enquiries, phone the Fruit Fly Hotline on 1300 666 010.

Vinehealth Australia continues to work alongside PIRSA and Riverland Wine to assist industry to comply with movement requirements.