

The Department of Agriculture establishes the northwestern region of Tepic, Nayarit, as zone of low prevalence of fruit flies of quarantine importance

It issues an Agreement that will allow producers to market their products in new markets and under more competitive conditions.



The Secretariat of Agriculture and Rural Development (SADER) declared the northwestern region of the municipality of Tepic, Nayarit, as a low-prevalence area for fruit flies of the *Anastrepha* genus, which will allow producers to market their products in new markets and with better prices.

The Agreement, published in the Official Gazette of the Federation (OGF), benefits the communities of '14 de Marzo', 'Cinco de Mayo', 'Crucero de San Blas', 'El Jicote' and 'Salazares', impacting the producers of 1,770 hectares of mango and 230 of plum, with a production of 11.4 thousand tons, whose commercial value is approximately 49 million pesos.

The new status is the result of joint work between producers and the Federal and State governments, who assist in the operation of the National Campaign against Fruit Flies, aimed at establishing areas of low pest prevalence.

It is the faculty of the Department of Agriculture to declare areas of low prevalence of pests that affect plants, according to the results of the sampling in the determined geographical areas.

The National Service for Agro-Alimentary Public Health, Safety and Quality (SENASICA) is responsible for declaring the sanitary and phytosanitary status of states, municipalities, areas and regions of the country.

Low prevalence areas are specific geographical areas that present infestations of non-detectable pest species that, based on the corresponding risk analysis, do not cause economic impact.