## **United against the Mediterranean fly**

The Senasica, the government of Colima and the productive sector are in coordination to control and eradicate the pest in Manzanillo.



The Senasica announced that the producers and the government of Colima have joined the works started in early April by the Secretariat of Agriculture and Rural Development to contain the Mediterranean fly (Ceratitis capitata, Wiedemann) outbreak located in Manzanillo and Armeria, Colima.

Further, the agency explained that in this federated state, an agricultural production of approximately 3.6 million tons with an estimated value of 7,993 million Mexican pesos is under protection.

As of today, 618 traps and 1,634 bait stations have been installed; 197 fruit samples have been collected and dissected, and over 350 hectares have been sprayed by land.

With the collaboration of the region's producers, aerial spraying over 946 hectares started on that week, and will continue during five weeks.

Three areas where the pest has been introduced remain active, where as of today, 17 adult Mediterranean flies have been collected.

For more information, please visit: <u>The Mediterranean fly sanitary eradication</u> actions protect approximately 1.9 million hectares of fruit and vegetable crops