



**Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service  
Emergency and Domestic Programs – Program Update**

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**Program:** *Phytophthora ramorum*

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## **December Report**

### Federal Order, State Inspection, Nursery Survey and Other Finds

Sixty-two positive nursery sites in eleven states have been identified through the Federal Order, State Inspection, Nursery Survey, and/or other finds. No plants were found positive in one of the sixty-two. This was a detection in growing media only. Two residential sites were found positive for *P. ramorum*. One was self reported, while the other was a trace forward from a positive landscaper.

### Nursery Survey

Forty-six states reported Nursery Survey results while Alaska, Iowa, Missouri, and Puerto Rico did not participate in the Nursery Survey. Wisconsin looked for *P. ramorum* as part of their regular nursery inspection. In total, 4,843 nurseries were visited and 147,347 samples collected. Out of the samples collected, 395 were confirmed positive.

### Forest Detection Survey

The United States Forest Service (USFS) and participating States have conducted nursery perimeter and general forest detection surveys. As of October 16<sup>th</sup>, USFS reported 637 nursery perimeter surveyed sites in 29 states with 1842 samples collected. USFS also reported 366 general forest surveys have been conducted in 29 states, with 922 samples collected. For 2007, the USFS will be conducting a watercourse pilot survey throughout the US to aid in detecting *P. ramorum* in the wildland environment. This new program will replace the nursery perimeter and general forest detection surveys, which were carried out from 2003 through 2006.