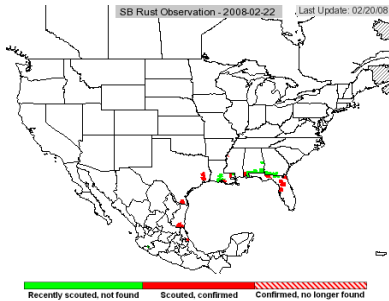
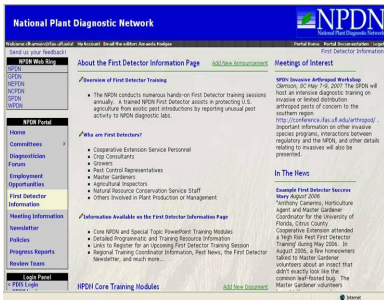


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## From the NAPPO Phytosanitary alert system ( [www.pestalert.org](http://www.pestalert.org) ) and UF/IFAS Pest Alert

- Japanese Beetle (*Popillia japonica* Newman) - Update of the Regulated Areas within Canada **02/20/2008, Read more [here](#)**
- Cucurbit leaf crumple virus detected in green beans in southwest Florida, **02/01/2008, Read more [here](#)**
- Medfly quarantined area expansion in Los Angeles County, California, **02/01/2008, Read more [here](#)**
- *Duponchelia fovealis* - Finding in Ontario Greenhouse Production Facilities , **01/29/2008, Read more [here](#)**
- *Ceratitis capitata* (Mediterranean fruit fly)-- Quarantined Area Expansion in Los Angeles County, California - United States , **01/28/2008 Read more [here](#)**

## Online Offerings

NEPDN Web Site Now Offers Improved Information for First Detectors!

The Northeast Plant Diagnostic Network has recently enhanced their web site to contain more information for first detectors. Some of the web site's new features include:

- [Plant Disease Links](#) : Links to information on select agents and significant pathogens of the Northeast.
- [Insect Pest Links](#) : Links to information on significant insect pests of the Northeast.
- [News and Events](#) : Current detections of significant insects and diseases in the Northeast as well as upcoming events.
- [First Detector Information](#) : Northeast state first detector training contacts as well as links to the NPDN first detector information and registration web pages.

The NEPDN web site can be found on the web at

We're on the Web!

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## **Education / Training Opportunitites**

- [WPDN First Detector Newsletter - January 2008](#)
- [UF/IFAS Entomology and Nematology Newsletter - February 2008](#)

### **USDA, CSREES, NATIONAL NEEDS FELLOWSHIPS - PLANT MEDICINE / PLANT PEST RISK ASSESSMENT AND MANAGEMENT:**

University of Florida, IFAS multidisciplinary Plant Medicine. Program is seeking applicants for a 3-year graduate fellowship project emphasizing plant pest risk assessment and management.

Three fellowships are available.

**Requirements** : B.S. or M.S. in agricultural science or bioscience discipline and U.S. citizenship.

Fellows will also receive specialized training through the UF, Certificate Program in Plant Health Risk Assessment and Management. The fellowship confers an annual stipend of \$24,000 for 3 years and will be administered by [IPM Florida](#).

For information about the degree, admission and application process, please click [here](#).

**Application Deadline** : April 15, 2008

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### **Caribbean Food Crops Society 44th Annual Meeting**

IFAS will host the 44th annual meeting of the Caribbean Food Crops Society, July 13-17, 2008 in Miami Beach. This is the first time that the CFCS will hold its meeting outside of the insular Caribbean and Central America, so we want to have

an excellent meeting both professionally and personally.

Please see the [letter](#) for meeting information including abstract submission, registration, program, field trips and hotel. The meeting website is now active and can be found at <http://cfcs.eea.uprm.edu/>. Follow the “More Information” link under the “Our Next Meeting” heading on the right side of the page.

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