

<p>ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE</p> <p><u>DIRECTOR'S ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER</u></p> <p>PLANT SERVICES DIVISION</p> <p>Nut Tree Pests A.A.C. R3-4-229</p>	<p><u>DIVISION/PROGRAM</u> PSD</p> <hr/> <p>DAO 12-02</p> <hr/> <p><i>Donald Bath</i></p> <p>SIGNATURE</p> <hr/> <p>5/9/12</p> <p>DATE</p>
--	---

1. PURPOSE

The current expansion and demand of pecan plants and nuts has created an increased risk of pest introduction that could be detrimental to the pecan industry. There is now over 15,000 acres of production pecan trees that generated a crop value in excess of \$60 million in 2011. The Arizona pecan industry is recognized internationally as well as domestically for providing a consistent supply of high quality nuts.

The changes in this Director's Order further defines restrictions to protect the pecan industry by prohibiting the movement of potted pecan trees into the state from all States, Districts and Territories of the United States except California.

2. AUTHORITY

- A.R.S. § 3-107(B). Organizational and administrative powers and duties of the director
- A.R.S. § 3-201.01. Associate director; powers and duties
- A.R.S. § 3-202. Infested or infected plants as public nuisances

3. EFFECTIVE DATE

This order is effective immediately.

4. ORDER

Commodities listed in A.A.C. R3-4-229(D)(1) that are containerized in soil may not enter Arizona, notwithstanding R3-4-229(E).