

PROPOSED RULE COST/BENEFIT ANALYSIS

Section 67-5223(3), Idaho Code, requires the preparation of an economic impact statement for all proposed rules imposing or increasing fees or charges. This cost/benefit analysis, which must be filed with the proposed rule, must include the reasonably estimated costs to the agency to implement the rule and the reasonably estimated costs to be borne by citizens, or the private sector, or both.

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IDAPA, Chapter and Title Number and Chapter Name:

IDAPA 02 TITLE 06 CHAPTER 27 - Rules Governing Bacterial Ring Rot of Potato

Fee Rule Status: ☒ Proposed ☒ Temporary

Rulemaking Docket Number: 02-0627-1402

STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC IMPACT:

Traceback investigation, sampling, and testing related to reported BRR positive potatoes will be conducted as needed based on the reports received. Costs associated with the traceback investigation and sampling will be paid from existing agency funds. The circumstances under which reporting is mandatory are narrow, which in turn means that the number of traceback investigations, sampling and testing performed as a result of reports will be limited.

As reflected in the rule, any costs associated with lab analysis of samples will be charged based on those fees normally charged for those tests by ISDA's Plant Pathology Lab. Fees for that lab are based on the cost of supplies and staff time necessary to perform the analysis. The Plant Pathology Lab's fee schedule is published on ISDA's website.

The rule no longer requires additional testing for BRR in seed potatoes for export, and as a result no costs are associated with that section.

All costs associated with inspection and sampling as part of the seed certification process governed by the Idaho Crop Improvement Association (ICIA) are administered by that agency. Fees associated with inspection, certificates, and permits for export are set forth in Section 500 of the "Phytosanitary and Post-Entry Certification Rules." IDAPA 02.06.04.500. These are standard fees that apply to a number of similar functions in the agency.