



Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services
Division of Plant Industry

ABANDONED GROVE COMPLIANCE AGREEMENT

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COMMISSIONER**

Section 193.461(7), 581.031(26), F.S. / Rule 5B-63.001, F.A.C.

3027 Lake Alfred Road, Winter Haven, FL 33881

1. LEGAL OWNER and MAILING ADDRESS:	2. PARCEL IDENTIFIER:
1.1. AGCA#:	2.1. GROVE ACRES:
1.2. CONTACT:	2.2. MULTI-BLOCKS:
1.3 TEL#:	2.3. T-R-S:
1.4. EMAIL:	2.4. COUNTY:
1.5. LEGAL OWNER /AUTH. REPRESENTATIVE:	2.5. GROWER CA#:
3. REGULATED ARTICLES: Any article capable of transporting or harboring citrus black spot, citrus canker, citrus greening or the Asian citrus psyllid.	
4. APPLICABLE STATE QUARANTINE(S) OR REGULATIONS: Chapters 193 and 581, F.S. and Rule Chapter 5B-63.	

Notice: Pursuant to Section 193.461(7), Florida Statutes, if the owner of an abandoned grove signs an Abandoned Grove Compliance Agreement (AGCA) pursuant to the Citrus Health Response Program:

- The qualified lands will be classified as agricultural for 5 years from the date signed below, at the de minimis value of up to \$50 per acre on a single year methodology, providing that said land remains fallow or otherwise non-income producing. The landowner may choose to leave the program prior to the expiration date.
- The owner may subsequently elect to re-plant citrus (only) and retain the assessed de minimis value for a total of 5 years from the date the original AGCA was signed.
- Section 193.461(7), F.S., does not stipulate that lands assessed under the Citrus Health Response Program at de minimis value will be renewed for appraisal at de minimis value after the initial 5 years.
- Lands diverted agricultural to a non-agricultural use will be assessed under Section 193.011, F.S.

In accordance with Chapter 581 F.S.; I/we agree to abide by the following stipulations:

1. The Citrus Health Response Program (CHRP) is the successor program to the Citrus Canker Eradication Program (CCEP), and is designed to allow the Florida citrus industry, in conjunction with University of Florida's Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (UF-IFAS), to develop effective citrus management strategies and protocols to enable Florida's citrus industry to remain productive while plagued by citrus black spot, citrus canker and citrus greening, along with its vector, the Asian citrus psyllid.

2. An abandoned grove is defined as a citrus grove having no production care or commercial harvesting activities, having minimal or no production value, or is no longer economically viable as a commercial citrus grove.
3. All grove owners shall register their citrus groves by signing a Grower/Caretaker Compliance Agreement, FDACS-08316, Rev. 07/22, with the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (FDACS), Division of Plant Industry (DPI), and shall comply with its CHRP provisions. Refer to *Schedule 10, Information Resources*, for contact information and forms.
4. Refer to CHRP guidelines and UF-IFAS publications for recommended cultural practices for citrus groves.
5. Owners are encouraged to maintain a rigorous program of controlling psyllid populations, scouting for citrus greening and citrus black spot, and controlling these and other pests as recommended by UF-IFAS.
6. Owners not willing or not able to effectively manage a producing citrus grove under the guidelines stated herein, or those owners with abandoned citrus groves, have the option to voluntarily at their own expense kill or remove all citrus trees, seedlings, and sprouts in the grove, leaving the land fallow, which are valid agricultural practices within the CHRP. Please notify your local CHRP office prior to destroying citrus.
7. Once all citrus trees have been killed or removed, a CHRP inspector will verify that destruction is complete.
8. The owner shall maintain the parcel identified to ensure that it remains free of any volunteer citrus, including sprouts, seedlings, or feral trees to remain compliant with the CHRP.
9. Prior to departing a citrus grove or a disposal site, all personnel must inspect vehicles and equipment for plant material and debris. All vehicles, equipment (tubs, ladders, picking sacks, hand tools, etc.) and clothing must be **cleaned** free of fruit, limbs, leaves, soil and debris and **decontaminated** by an appropriate method, in accordance with *Approved Decontamination Products and Methods, Schedule 11*. The plant material and debris must be left on that property or be disposed of in a CHRP approved disposal site.
10. Authorized CHRP personnel shall be allowed access to the property to ensure citrus sprouting is controlled. The property should be mowed or maintained by mechanical or other means to allow reasonably clear passage for personnel and equipment as required for plant inspection processes.

5. AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE:	6. PRINTED NAME and TITLE:	7. DATE SIGNED:
The affixing of the signatures below will validate this agreement, which shall remain in effect until canceled or renewed, but may be revised as necessary or revoked for noncompliance.		8. AGREEMENT NO.: CA_AGCA-DR2022
		9. DATE OF AGREEMENT:
10. OFFICIAL NAME and TITLE:	11. OFFICIAL ADDRESS: Division of Plant Industry 3027 Lake Alfred Road Winter Haven, FL 33881-1438	
12. OFFICIAL SIGNATURE		