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Current recommendations:

No additional late blight has been found or reported in our area since the single find in central MN near St. Cloud. The abnormally cool weather has resulted in morning dews, and these conditions are very favorable for late blight infection and spread. It remains important to scout fields for the presence of late blight and continue protectant fungicide applications until the end of the growing season. Concentrate scouting on low areas and along tree lines that stay wetter longer. It takes only 12 hours of wetness for late blight spores to infect.

All irrigated sites have accumulated 15 late blight severity values, the threshold value for late blight infection, and severity values will no longer be reported for irrigated sites.

The accumulated late blight severity values as of today for the non-irrigated sites are:

Ada	16	Cando	17	Cavalier	9
Crary	12	Eldred	28	Forest River	13
Grafton	13	Grand Forks	13	Hillsboro	13
Humboldt	30	Perley	23	Rolla	26
Sabin	29	St. Thomas	19	Stephen	17
Warren	17				

Thank you for using the NDSU Potato Blightline.