

August 20, 2013

**Current recommendations:**

No additional late blight has been reported in our area. Late blight severity values have generally remained stable at all sites, and conditions have not been 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:

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|----------|----|-------------|----|--------------|----|
| Ada      | 16 | Cando       | 18 | Cavalier     | 10 |
| Crary    | 12 | Eldred      | 28 | Forest River | 14 |
| Grafton  | 13 | Grand Forks | 13 | Hillsboro    | 14 |
| Humboldt | 33 | Perley      | 24 | Rolla        | 27 |
| Sabin    | 31 | St. Thomas  | 24 | Stephen      | 17 |
| Warren   | 17 |             |    |              |    |

Remember to attend the NPPGA potato field day this Thursday at Larimore, Inkster and Hoople. Thank you for using the NDSU Potato Blightline.