

COLORADO Commentary

Onion Crop Growth Stage and Status Last Modified: 08/09/13

Bulbing stages continue to develop normally in transplanted and seeded onions throughout the onion regions in the state.

Weather Impacts (temperature, rain, hail, freezing) Last Modified: 08/09/13

Severe storm damage affected many onion fields in northern Colorado, causing 50 to 75% defoliation with evidence of bulb rots beginning to develop within 7 to 10 days later.

Temperature Outlook* [2 – 4 weeks]: Above Normal

Precipitation Outlook* [2 – 4 weeks]: Below Normal

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Insect Scouting, Outlook and Management Last Modified: 08/09/13

Thrips

Thrips numbers range between 25 to 50 per plant in most production regions of Colorado; while the numbers are beginning to fall in fields approaching maturity.

Maggots

No reports at this time

Other

No reports at this time

Disease Scouting, Outlook and Management Last Modified: 08/09/13

Iris yellow spot virus

Scattered positive reports with ELISA or PCR testing, but no serious outbreaks reported yet.

Soil-borne Diseases (Damping Off, Pink Root, Fusarium)

Pink root and Fusarium basal rot apparent in some fields with a history of the disease.

Fungal Diseases (purple blotch, downy mildew, Botrytis)

No reports at this time

Bacterial Diseases (Xanthomonas, center rot, soft rots)

No reports at this time

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