

Systematic random sampling ensures that sampling events are scheduled far enough in advance to avoid potential impacts from random environmental events. For each growing area, the most recent 30 samples, minimum of 6 sampling events a year, are analyzed to estimate the geometric mean and 90<sup>th</sup> percentile. If the geometric mean exceeds 14 or the 90<sup>th</sup> percentile exceeds 31, then that area will be closed to harvest because it does not meet NSSP standards. Condemnation changes are effective on the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month following the evaluation.