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Tomato Late Blight Alert

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Late blight on tomato was confirmed on Friday, June 29th in York Co., PA and late blight was also confirmed on tomato and potato in southern Lancaster Co., PA late last week. These outbreaks were in commercial fields and in very close proximity to Maryland. Please be alert to this threat and scout both tomatoes and potatoes aggressively and protect them with fungicides. Protectant conventional fungicides with activity on late blight are mancozeb, Gavel, chlorothalonil or Zing! Once the disease is observed in your area targeted fungicides will be more effective.

See the Mid-Atlantic Commercial Vegetable Recommendation Guide for a list of targeted fungicides <http://extension.umd.edu/mdvegetables/mid-atlantic-commercial-vegetable-production-recommendations> .

Organic growers' best options include approved copper fungicides and Serenade. Additional information for organic growers' can be accessed at <http://articles.extension.org/pages/18361/organic-management-of-late-blight-of-potato-and-tomato-phytophthora-infestans>

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