

# A new phase for Psa management



Just over a decade since the initial response to Psa in New Zealand, the kiwifruit industry continues to lead the way with development of a more **fit-for-purpose and long-term strategy** for managing the disease.

For many years, we've been at the forefront of biosecurity and pest management. This proactiveness and future thinking continues with the **introduction of the industry's new Pathway Management Plan from 1 April 2022** and staging out of the Psa National Pest Management Plan (NPMP).

**There is little change for growers** but many benefits, including streamlining and simplifying rules and regulations so they are more pragmatic, and protection against a wider range of biosecurity threats.

***KVH and Zespri have been working together to make sure there is a seamless transition into this new phase.***

***To ensure the very best support continues to be provided, there will be changes in some responsibilities - see summary below and overleaf for details.***

As the industry's dedicated biosecurity body, **KVH is retaining all high-risk management** of Psa and preparedness for any new variants.



Psa remains a specified organism in the new Pathway Plan, which ensures we continue to have the **ability to manage the spread of Psa within New Zealand and respond to new forms** of Psa should they be found.



To be consistent with other crop protection responsibilities for pests already present in New Zealand, **Zespri will be responsible for coordinating support** to growers to manage the impact of Psa on-orchard.



Zespri will also take the lead in being responsible for **Psa research and maintaining and updating industry resources and tools** to promote Psa management best practice.





IF I WANT TO .....	WHAT DO I DO?
Report a potential new detection of Psa, or new spread	No change: contact KVH on 0800 665 825 or <a href="mailto:info@kvh.org.nz">info@kvh.org.nz</a>
Report a potential new Psa variant or any other unusual symptom	No change: contact KVH on 0800 665 825 or <a href="mailto:info@kvh.org.nz">info@kvh.org.nz</a>
Use the Psa risk model and other tools within the online Weather & Disease Portal	No change: visit <a href="http://kvh.org.nz">kvh.org.nz</a>
Access Psa research reports from over the years	No change: visit <a href="http://kvh.org.nz">kvh.org.nz</a>
Access older Psa resources and spray information	No change: visit <a href="http://kvh.org.nz">kvh.org.nz</a> and view the 'past Psa resources' page
Access current and up-to-date Psa resources, management information, and spray information	Co-ordinated and managed by Zespri, made available within the Canopy, industry publications (Kiwifruit Journal, Kiwiflier), and at events and workshops
Have a visit from a technical expert to help me manage Psa on-orchard	Speak with your post-harvest technical representative or grower liaison team