FORM A
POTATO YIELD SURVEY INITIAL INTERVIEW
2011

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NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE

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Date:_____

Earlier this season you gave a representative from our office information about the potato acreage on your farming operation. We are now collecting information to help determine potato production in (*Your State*) and the United States. Response to this survey is voluntary; however we need and appreciate your cooperation. Any data reported by you or obtained from field observations will be kept confidential.

Respondent Name: _____

STARTING TIME
(Military Time*)*

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ACRES

101
. ____

DO NOT CHANGE

1. Earlier this season, you had **planted or intended to plant** _____ **.** ____ acres of
   potatoes on all the land you operate. . . . .

   Now I need to locate all of your potato fields and obtain the acreage in each field.
   This will be used to randomly select one or more of your fields for objective yield observations.

   ► Draw each potato field on grid map.

   ► Number fields; north to south – west to east.

   ► Complete column 2 if required by your Survey Statistician.

   ► Record the VARIETY of potatoes planted in each field.

   ► Obtain acres actually PLANTED in each field.
      Exclude acres in roads, ditches, rock piles and other non-planted acres.

   ► Obtain acres for HARVEST in each field. Exclude acres already abandoned or otherwise not intended for harvest.

   ► Accumulate ACRES FOR HARVEST, field by field, to a total for the entire operation.

TABLE A

FIELD NUMBER	FO OPTIONAL USE	VARIETY	ACRES PLANTED	ACRES FOR HARVEST Cum. = Cumulative Total
1	2	3	4	5
1			. ____	. ____ Cum. . ____
2			. ____	. ____ Cum. . ____
3			. ____	. ____ Cum. . ____
4			. ____	. ____ Cum. . ____
5			. ____	. ____ Cum. . ____
6			. ____	. ____ Cum. . ____
7			. ____	. ____ Cum. . ____
8			. ____	. ____ Cum. . ____
9			. ____	. ____ Cum. . ____
10			. ____	. ____ Cum. . ____
11			. ____	. ____ Cum. . ____
12			. ____	. ____ Cum. . ____
13			. ____	. ____ Cum. . ____
14			. ____	. ____ Cum. . ____
15			. ____	. ____ Cum. . ____

TABLE A – (*continued*)

FIELD NUMBER	FO OPTIONAL USE	VARIETY	ACRES PLANTED	ACRES FOR HARVEST Cum. = Cumulative Total
1	2	3	4	5
16			. ___	. ___ Cum. . ___
17			. ___	. ___ Cum. . ___
18			. ___	. ___ Cum. . ___
19			. ___	. ___ Cum. . ___
20			. ___	. ___ Cum. . ___

a. The total acres of potatoes planted on the land you operate is   102   . ___

2. **The total potato acreage** (*column 5*) **for harvest on the land you operate is**. . . .   **ACRES**   103   . ___

Is that right? ☐ **YES** – *Continue.*   ☐ **NO** – *Review all fields, correct table A and item 2.*

IF ITEM 2 HAS   {   -- A ZERO entry – Return all forms.
                      -- An Acreage entry – Make selection of sample field(s).

TABLE B

SELECTION OF SAMPLE FIELD(S) ON THIS FARM

Sample Number(s)	Selected Acre(s)	Selected Field Number(s)
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a. Select first field in Table A in which the cumulative harvested acres equals or exceeds the selected acre for sample as shown in Table B.

b. Enter selected field number in Table B.

c. Circle selected sample field number in Table A. Enter field acreage (Column 5) in item 3.

OFFICE USE ONLY

a. Sum Planted acres by varieties.

___ ___ ___ .	___ ___ ___ .	___ ___ ___ .	___ ___ ___ .	___ ___ ___ .	___ ___ ___ .
___ ___ ___ .	___ ___ ___ .	___ ___ ___ .	___ ___ ___ .	___ ___ ___ .	___ ___ ___ .

b. Variety planted in sample field   104

All questions on this page apply to the SAMPLE FIELD ONLY.

3. Acres of potatoes to be harvested in Sample Field Number _____
    (*Exclude acres planted to potatoes but not intended for harvest*.)……………………… **ACRES**

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4. On what date was planting completed in this potato field? ……………………………… **MM DD**

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5. When do you expect to begin harvesting this field? (**Month / Day**) _____

    a.   When do you plan to top kill this field? (**Month / Day**) _____

6. Have or will you enter this field for certified seed production?

    ☐ **YES = 1**   ☐ **NO = 3** ………………………………………………………… **CODE**

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7. Has this field been (or will it be) irrigated?   ☐ **YES = 1**   ☐ **NO = 3** …………… **CODE**

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8. With your permission I will go out to the field to make observations and dig a few hills.
    Would that be all right?

    ☐ **YES** – *Continue.*   *If this is a gleaning sample, tell the operator,*
    "After harvest, I will also lay out two small plots to determine harvest loss."

    ☐ **NO** – *Conclude interview and return all forms.*

9. Have you or will you apply pesticides with organophosphorous content to the sample field?

    ☐ **YES**   ☐ **DON'T KNOW**   ☐ **NO**

    If YES, enter latest application date _____ and name of pesticide _____

Ending Time (Military Time)	172
Enumerator Number	190
Supervisor Number	191
Area Location Code (optional)	198
County (optional)	199
Evaluation	193
R. Unit	921

IMPORTANT: Review for completeness. Record ending time and sign
name. Copy answers in items 5, 6, 7, 10 and variety of
sample field to the kit envelope.

10. **Enumerator Name** _____   **STATUS CODE**

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TABLE B

SELECTION OF SAMPLE FIELD(S) ON THIS FARM		
Sample Number(s)	Selected Acre(s)	Selected Field Number(s)
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