The Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services has put an immediate quarantine in place for all of Lee County due to the presence of a major pest of lychee, *Aceria litchii*, known as lychee erinose mite. This pest has been found in several locations in Lee County including in lychee groves on Pine Island, and on residential properties and plant nurseries in other areas of the county.

To prevent the further spread of this major pest, the department is prohibiting the movement of lychee fruit or plant parts (trees, leaves or stems) out of the county.

**NO LYCHEE FRUIT OR PLANT PARTS CAN BE MOVED OUT OF LEE COUNTY UNLESS THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS ARE MET:**

- Growers, harvesters and shippers sign compliance agreements with the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.
- Lychee fruit is harvested and packed in Lee County for shipment outside of Florida only.

No lychee fruit or plant parts can be moved out of Lee County to other locations in Florida.

For more information, please contact, 1-888-397-1517