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State to halt citrus-tree cutting in Dade

Florida agriculture officials agreed on Tuesday to suspend felling citrus trees in Miami-Dade County for seven days amid rising public anger over their controversial war on canker and the guerrilla-like resistance from local municipalities across South Florida.



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Citrus canker is found on a grapefruit tree in a Miramar resident's backyard in September before crews cut the tree down.

State officials said they voluntarily imposed the moratorium to work out an agreement with local governments in Miami-Dade and Broward counties similar to an earlier settlement of a lawsuit filed by South Miami and Pinecrest.

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