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Wawona expands fruit recall because of possible health risk

Wawona Packing Company of Cutler, California is expanding its voluntary recall from last month of whole white and yellow peaches, white and yellow nectarines, plums and pluots due to the potential of the products being contaminated with *Listeria monocytogenes*.

The July 19 recall covered specific lots of products packed from June 1 through July 12, 2014. Wawona Packing Company is expanding the recall because the company's experts have yet to identify with scientific certainty the source of *Listeria monocytogenes* in the facility.

Wawona Packing shipped the recalled products directly to retailers and wholesalers who resell or further distribute the products nationwide. Beginning on July 18, 2014, no products have been packed at the Wawona Packing facility in Cutler, CA. Products packed on or after July 18 outside of the Wawona Packing Co. facility are not affected by this recall.

Listeria monocytogenes is an organism which can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections in young children, frail or elderly people, and others with weakened immune systems. Although healthy individuals may suffer only short-term symptoms such as high fever, severe headache, stiffness, nausea, abdominal pain and diarrhea, *Listeria* infection can cause miscarriages and stillbirths among pregnant women.

Consumers can identify the recalled products by the information provided in the [attached photographs](#). Anyone who has the recalled products in their possession should not consume them and should discard them. If consumers are seeking reimbursement, they should return to the store where they purchased the product to request a refund, providing proof of purchase or receipt if available. Consumers with questions may contact Wawona Packing's consumer information desk at 1-888-232-9912, M-F, 8am-11pm EST or Sat-Sun 8am-8pm EST, or visit www.wawonapacking.com.

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