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Downy Mildew Reported in Ontario

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Downy mildew was reported in a 5 -acre commercial cucumber field in Chatham-Kent, Ontario (Dresden) on Monday June 29, 2009. Symptoms were estimated to have appeared about June 25, and at the time of the report 18% of the field was affected, with about 2% coverage of the leaves.

Although the time of downy mildew appearance in Ohio will vary depending on weather (storms crossing Lake Erie, cool, wet (favorable) vs. hot, dry (unfavorable)), we can assume based on experience of the last two years that downy mildew should appear in cucumbers in northern Ohio within the next few days or so. We are monitoring our sentinel plots and have not observed downy mildew in cucumbers or other vine crops to date. As soon as a verified report is obtained in Ohio it will be posted on VegNet.