

6. Is the sawfly introduced?

The sawfly occurred from Canada into New Mexico, and from California into Minnesota in 1890. Based on its limited dispersal ability, and the necessity to adapt to plants in this large region, sawflies could not be a recent introduction.

7. Can we import parasites for sawfly control?

Parasites from Russia were released in Montana and North Dakota in the 1940s, but did not survive. Several species of native parasites occur in Montana, and Federal regulations restrict importation of foreign parasites in cases where native species are already in place.

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