Chile: The most modern center of the world for phytosanitary inspection, in 2016

In June 2016 it is expected to inaugurate the Site Cabrero Plant Health Inspectorate, an infrastructure that will enable producers and exporters of fresh fruit and vegetables in the region south of the Biobio, check your product installation on closer and more modern way before being shipped to market in the United States.

The announcement was delivered for the Mayor of the Biobio Region, Rodrigo Diaz, who toured the progress in building the center next to Seremi Works, René Carvajal; Seremi of Agriculture, Rodrigo Garcia; SAG Regional Director, Jaime Peña; and general manager of the Fruit Exporters Association of Chile AG (ASOEX), Miguel Canala-Echeverria.

Note that this site phytosanitary inspection is part of a cooperative agreement tripartite SAG-USDA / APHIS-ASOEX, for inspection of fresh fruit national origin, prior to be sent to the US market.

It is also important to note that this important infrastructure corresponds to a public-private

collaborative work between the Regional Government of the Biobío, the Fruit Exporters Association of Chile, the Agricultural and Livestock Service, and the Department of Architecture of the Ministry of Public Works ; representing an investment of $ 2.712 million and an area of ??3,622 square meters.

According Asoex in the last 15 years the orchards have had a significant increase from the Maule region to Los Lagos, due to climate change. This has had a positive impact on regional economies of these areas, by increasing the demand for labor, transportation, marketing of agricultural inputs, machinery, packaging materials, banking and financial services; among others. In this context have a site closest modern phytosanitary inspection, it is a major boost to the regional development and growth.

"The best harbors to ship fruit to the United States are in the Biobio Region The port complex ranging from Lirquén, the Bay of Talcahuano, San Vicente and Coronel, are in our region;. And this is attached to a road that we will deliver within three to four months. While the Centre Fruit Plant Health Inspectorate will be finished by the end of the first half of next year, "said Mayor Rodrigo Diaz.

The project takes an advance of 24%, which is considered positive for public-private institutions involved. "This is an important work that means $ 2,700 million investment and that allows us to open new doors to leverage investments, CEO of the Association of Fruit Exporters of Chile, already partners are prospecting generate other investments to bring plants production as close as possible to this plant inspection. This is the plant inspection is one of the most modern in the world. The newest largest. And it is intended to serve for the next 50 years, "he said .

For its part, the general manager of the Fruit Exporters Association of Chile AG (ASOEX), Miguel Canala-Echeverria, said that a very important factor of this plant is its location. "It is located in a strategic position, which is important because it is the new road is being built to the ports of the region are the ports that are becoming more used by our industry, where many ships go to Europe, Asia , United States, you are carrying their containers at these facilities, "he said.

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