Case Study Problem: The Long Road to Recovery

**Part 1:** Gather facts on Citrus Canker from the case study materials. For example, since the disease was diagnosed in 1995, where else has it spread? How does this disease spread? Has the spread of the disease been fairly steady or sporadic?

**Part 2:** What are the ramifications of this disease to commercial growers, homeowners, and local governments? Do you believe this disease has national significance as a plant biosecurity issue? Why or why not?

**Part 3:** Recovery is defined as a lengthy, concerted effort to return to normal operations after the plant biosecurity event has been effectively contained. What government actions are helping Florida growers recover from the Citrus Canker disease?

**Part 4:** Canker bacteria are spread by wind and rain. Florida is subjected to numerous tropical storms each year. With the disease now identified in 13 counties, do you believe recovery from this disease is likely? Why or why not?