

Fig. S1.  $ecl3^+$  was induced by phosphate starvation in the absence of Zfs1. (A) JY333 (WT) and JZ974 ( $\Delta zfs1$ )(Kanoh et al. 1995) cells were grown in YE medium to OD600 = 0.5, and the mRNA levels of  $ecl3^+$  were measured by real-time PCR assay (n = 3). (B) JY333 (WT) and JZ974 ( $\Delta zfs1$ ) cells were grown in EMM to OD600 = 0.5 and then transferred into EMM without Na<sub>2</sub>HPO<sub>4</sub> (n = 3).

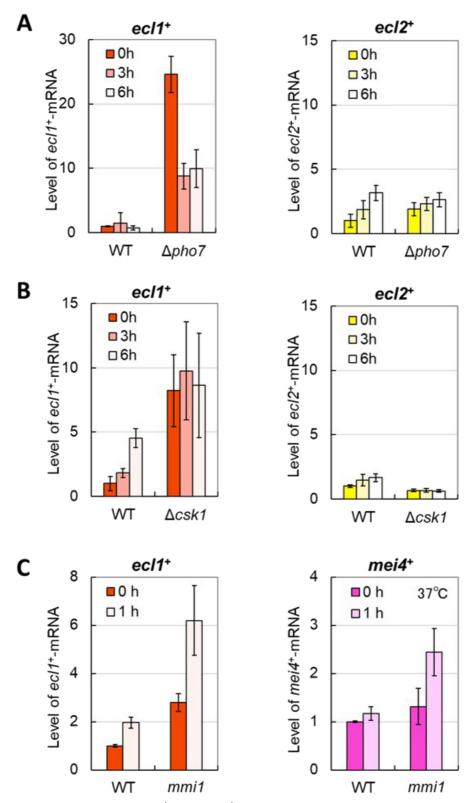


Fig. S2. The mRNA levels of  $ecl1^+$  and  $ecl2^+$  were measured by real-time PCR assay. (A) JY333 (WT) and JY333 $\Delta pho7$  ( $\Delta pho7$ ) cells were grown in EMM to OD600 = 0.5 and then transferred into EMM without Na2HPO4 (n=3). (B) JY333 (WT) and JY333 $\Delta cskl$  ( $\Delta cskl$ ) cells were grown in EMM to OD600 = 0.5 and then transferred into EMM without Na2HPO4 (n=3). (C) JY450 (WT) and JV579 (mmi1)(Yamashita et al. 2012) cells were grown in YE to OD600 = 0.5 at 25°C and then transferred to 36°C for 1 h (n=3). For cultures of JY333, JY333 $\Delta pho7$ , JY333 $\Delta cskl$ , JY450, and JV579 cells, 40 mg L<sup>-1</sup> adenine and 60 mg L<sup>-1</sup> leucine were added.

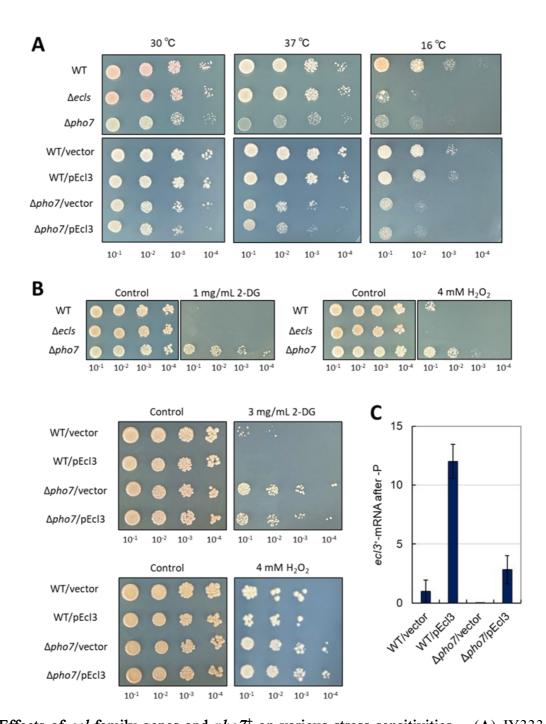
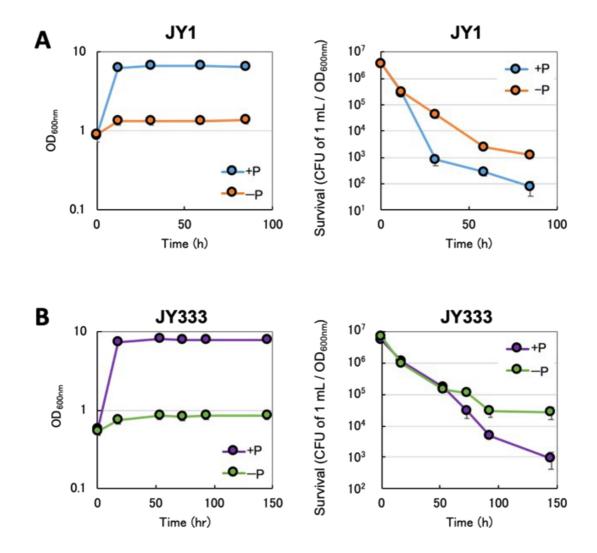


Fig. S3. Effects of ecl family genes and pho7<sup>+</sup> on various stress sensitivities. (A) JY333 (WT), JY333 $\Delta ecl1/2/3$  ( $\Delta ecls$ ), and JY333 $\Delta pho7$  ( $\Delta pho7$ ) cells were grown in YE to OD600 = 1.0 and then spotted on YE plates with serial dilution (upper panel). JY333/pLB-Dblet (WT/vector), JY333/pEcl3 (WT/pEcl3), JY333Δpho7/pLB-Dblet (Δpho7/vector), and JY333Δpho7/pEcl3  $(\Delta pho7/pEcl3)$  cells were grown in EMM to OD600 = 1.0 and then spotted on EMM plate with serial dilution (lower panel). The plates were incubated at 16°C, 30°C, and 37°C. (B) JY333 (WT), JY333 $\Delta ecl1/2/3$  ( $\Delta ecls$ ), and JY333 $\Delta pho7$  ( $\Delta pho7$ ) cells were grown in YE to OD600 = 1.0 and then spotted on YE plates containing 2-DG or H2O2 with serial dilution (upper panel). JY333/ pLB-Dblet (WT/vector), JY333/pEcl3 (WT/pEcl3), JY333Δpho7/pLB-Dblet (Δpho7/vector), and JY333 $\Delta pho7/pEcl3$  ( $\Delta pho7/pEcl3$ ) cells were grown in EMM to OD600 = 1.0 and then spotted on EMM plates containing 2-DG or H2O2 with serial dilution (lower panel). (C) JY333/pLB-Dblet (WT/pEcl3), (WT/vector), JY333/pEcl3 JY333 $\Delta pho7$ /pLB-Dblet ( $\Delta pho7$ /vector), JY333 $\Delta pho7/pEc13$  ( $\Delta pho7/pEc13$ ) cells were grown in EMM to OD600 = 0.5. The mRNA level of  $ecl3^+$  was measured (n = 3).



**Fig. S4.** The growth (left panels) and CLS (right panels) were measured during phosphate starvation. (**A**) JY1 cells were cultured in synthetic SD medium (Ohtsuka et al. 2017) with or without KH2PO4 (n = 3). (**B**) JY333 cells were cultured in synthetic SD medium with or without KH2PO4 (n = 3). Colony-forming units were used to measure survival (Ohtsuka et al. 2017).

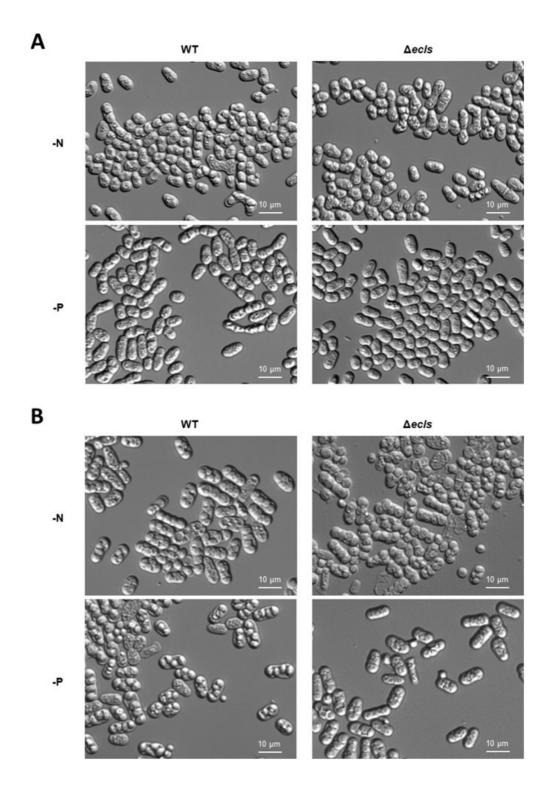


Fig. S5. Sexual development under phosphate depletion. (A) JY808 (WT) and JY808 $\Delta ecl1/2/3$  ( $\Delta ecls$ ) cells were grown in EMM to OD600 = 0.5 and then transferred into nitrogen- and phosphate-depleted EMM for 25 h. (B) The diploid cells (JY333 × HM3802) (WT) and (JY333 $\Delta ecl1/2/3$  and HM3802 $\Delta ecl1/2/3$ ) ( $\Delta ecls$ ) were grown in EMM to OD600 = 0.5 and then transferred into nitrogen- and phosphate-depleted EMM for 25 h.

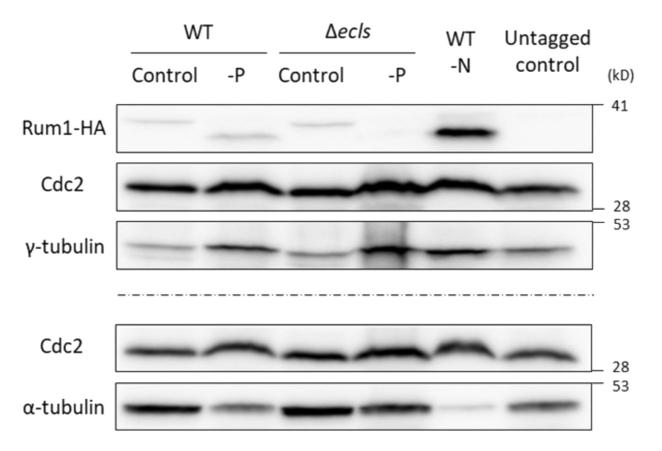


Fig. S6. Rum1 levels under phosphate depletion. WT (FY7288) and  $\Delta ecls$  (FY7288 $\Delta ecl1/2/3$ ) were grown in EMM to OD600 = 0.5 (Control) and then transferred into nitrogen-depleted (-N) or phosphate-depleted (-P) EMM (18 h). The level of Rum1-HA was measured using western blot assay. Both upper and lower bands of Rum1-HA were not observed in the untagged control, suggesting that these bands were derived from Rum1-HA.

## **Table S1. Yeast Strains and PCR Primers**

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