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# Fruit Ridge Notes

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### *Greetings All You Agri-Pals .....*

This Climate is much to Balmy for my liking.....Gettn close to 60°F here.

Praying for 25°F-Nights and 35°F Days....for a Month.

**Definitions to Remember ....** As I explained at the Big Grower Meetings several days back .....

In These "Fruit Ridge Notes" .... some Definitions.....

~~~**Q & A** .... That's when one of Ya's replies with questions about something mentioned in a recent Fruit Ridge Notes...and then I detail your Answer with a Follow-Up in a FRNs.

~~~**Smart Money** is a Name I give to all of You Guys that share with me what you have done[or are doing]that really makes huge sense and can and is really save you and your Neighbor Pals a ton of Time & Money. I do not share your real Name...Unless you tell me to.

~~~**BNR** .... Refers to "Big-National-Retailers" .... like just south of me ...down on Ten Mile Rd...There's like 3 BigNationalRetailers

~~~**GWA** .... is Gallons-of-Water-per-Acre

~~~**TRV** .... Tree-Row-Volume

~~~**RGSs** .....Reisters Grower Services

~~~**DeeTeam** .... A Term I have used for many years since Deanna came on board Full-Time and we started getting her some helpers.....

My DeeTeam is Deanna & Nancy & Matthew & Alicia & Linda[my Honey] ...All of whom have critical roles in our efforts to "**Gittrrdunn**"

\*\*\***I recently read in Jeff Alicandros "agr.tips"** .....that for producing consistently Heavy Apple Crops ....

*"Often, no single practice is more beneficial to a bearing apple tree than Dormant Pruning Moderately each and every Growing Season."*

....And .....To be careful of "excessive-pruning" ...which normally results in overly lush vegetative regrowth....reducing Sunlight and Productivity.

\*\*\***A Grower-Pal that works the Inside-Political-Track** thing .....works it pretty doggone good ....Tells me 'the Donald' is involved in that FrozenTartCherry Import Fiasco..... ???

If he is right, somethin should hit the fan soon I'm guessin.....???

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\*\*\*\***Smart Money** just told me....Saturday .... That no matter how carefully he checks his Calendar-Notes-Jottings-Records---- Alicandros ""*agr.news*"" still comes up with timely pertinent Reminders that he really is Thankful for.

\*\*\*\***Q & A** .... Nope...No ""Mating-Disruption-Pheromone"" Products were applied in our '10-Ac.Apple-Trial Blocks' .... Not that I don't like it...?? But our 'Goal' in last Seasons Trials was to see just how Low-Cost-Cheap we could get the job done.  
Consider what We Used: \*Diazinon[Once]-\$8 - \*Asana[Twice] \$12- Total - \*Warrior[3Times]\$6 Total - \*PermUp[Once]\$2 - \*MustangMaxx[Once]\$3 - \*Lorsban[Once]\$16 - \*Imidacloprid4F[5Times]-\$11TotalSeason - \*Abamectin 0.15EC[Twice]\$20Total - \*Grandevo[Once]\$19 - \*Lannate90SP[Once]\$28 - - -

So...Our Total Insecticide/Miticide Program totaled **\$125/Ac.** I have heard from some guys... that they did 16 oz.Exirel 10SE[Once]\$48 ...and 13.7 oz.Nealta 200SC[Once]\$38 ...and 1 Qt.Rimon .83EC[Once]\$48 .... Wherein just those 3 Applns were a bigger per-acre-cost [**\$134**]than our whole season.

**Talk Soon.....r**

