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Fruit Ridge Notes from Ron Reister C.C.A.

WowIs this Weather and the Extended Forecast just about Perfect????

....Especially for the TreeFruit and Blues and Grapes...??? Everybody Really !! We energetically Thank You Lord.....

For the "1st-Scab-Infection-Date-Contest" This Climate is making *that* all the more interesting Also!!

Remember to EMail us your Best-Guess for the Date of that 1st-MSU-Amy-Verified-2018-Apple-Scab-Infection for @ the Sparta Station--Ridge... And also mention if the beginning of the Infection will be AM or PM....

....and let's make the Final-Guess-Date Easter Monday....**April** 2nd....by 5 PM..... 2 Weeks Hence. EMail Us.... Just "'Reply-All" on this, so the Gals here get your Guesstimate.

****Q & A ...Refg last Sat.AMs FRNotes....Yes ...There is the Internal CO2 Injury like in these Fuji's, and then also External CO2 Injury, and there's just plain CO2 Injury, and Senescent Breakdown, Core Browning and Soggy BreakDown.... All are ugly and get Mrs. & Mr. Consumer all upset. Point is....some of these 'Post-Harvest-Conditions' can be avoided.....for like an xtra 4 Cents-Bushel....[\$0.04] if they're using some CALime already...??

Back in the Day....Bob and I would use almost 2/3s-Lb-per-Bushel.... which with todays PerTonCost of Lime is close to 10Cents-Bu. That Lime is almost 3X the cost of 15-20 Yrs ago.

****Some of You Stone-Fruit-Guys.....That have *Bacterial-Spot or *Peach-Leaf-Curl Issues.... Experts tell us Apply CS2005 early - before Bud-Break....1 Qt-Ac. in 20-40 GWA...Travel slow. Use some InSpray 90 or WetCit with it..... All are extreme Low-Cost when looking at-comparing to other Options. Yes of course there are other Copper-Product-Choices legally available and also popular.... But I'm only recommending the Best Choice.... "005" won't paint your beautiful expensive Equipment blue.... You wont have to get a small guy with a shovel into the bottom of your Tank when you're finished with the Appln..... and you will save serious money for every Acre applied when using "005"

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****Serious Researchers Agree on this This is an actual direct Quote from Alicandros agr.news "We've recommended plenty of CS2005 in dormant sprays on Apples over the past 7 Years in western N.Y. with consistently excellent and cost-effective results as a key-step in integrated Fire-Blight Control Programs. And it has been very successfully used in Michigan as well. CS2005 is a 100% Water-Soluble Systemic CopperSulfate Pentahydrate formulation." He then goes on to mention 3 or 4 other Coppers that some Folks use.... some that he has monitored-watched in the Orchards. If you're a Subscriber, look at your 'agr.tips' from Mon-Mar.5-2018.

I think its pretty thought-provoking that he says.... ~~ "seen some good results" ~~ "performed very well" ~~ "also performed well" ... when referencing those 'other coppers'... but uses language like "consistently excellent and cost-effective results" when describing CS2005..... Probably just me.

****Yes We will most certainly be highly recommending use of the maximum 2 Qt-per-Acre-Rate[Apples] of the R.U.P. Chlorpyrifos4EEverywhere on every Crop where it is still Legal....and where your Processor-Fruit-Buyer doesn't mind. For 2018 this is still Legit. But be very careful...as the Fed is really watchn Ya's.... And they really are looking for just any excuse to throw up a bunch of Red Flags. This old OrganoPhosphate is the most major ButtKicker of all... I feel the most amazing Insecticide to ever grace a Spray-Tank ...and it is so Low-Cost....like \$17 - \$18 per-Acre...??

Apples---We can do only One [1] Foliar Appln....@ 2 Qt-Ac. I really really highly recommend you make that count with 2 - Alternate-Center Apps to get your Legal 1 Total.....and be sure to use the Max. Use It Til We Lose It......

Some Other Crops...??? Some with only Trunk-Sprays or Dormant Sprays Allowed....??? Check out "Agrian" for all the Legalities.... This stuff is Labeled in one form or another for Stone Fruits ... Pears ...almost All Vegies.... Alfalfa... Just about all Forage and Grain Crops.... Asparagus ... Citrus ...NutCrops ...and this generic Lorsban is sold under 40 different Names.... Like: Govern - Hatchet - Nufos4E - Warhawk - Yuma - Whirlwind - - - More Just be sure it's Registered for use here - Michigan....and Labeled for the Foliar appln you want to do with it.... Keep it simple....just order it from Deanna.

Have a Blessed Week!!!!r