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Greetings from Blustery Fruit Ridge Avenue & 17 Mile Rd ... 28°F on my way in this Morning.....

I heard a Golfer-Pal say "Enuf-Already"



It's 2018---April 5and Yup...Serious Renowned Researchers Still All Agree

******Adding "Oil" to Dormant Copper** Applns can increase the efficacy ... **But** I still maintain that you don't wanna do that... You're inviting to many unwanted-risk-factors. When you get thru reading all the Labeled Precautions... You see it's just not worth it. Keep it simple. If you want increased Efficacy with your "005"just do 1 Pt-100g.InSpray-90 and 1 Pt.-100 ga.WetCit....Both incredible Penetraters and Spreaders. And ...You can then Tank-Mix anything You want that you have read-seen-heard us talk about in these FRNotes.

******On some-High-Dollar-FBlight-Susceptible-Varieties** where you have gotten spanked in the last year or 2 or 3.... with over-wintering F.Blight-infestations.... Consider a 2nd Appln of copper-bactericide.... The safest and most effective of course being your CS2**005** ...

The later you go with any of the old sludge-coppers, the more risk of russet you are running..... and there's a couple of 'New' Low-A.I.-coppers that are made in such a way, and with some whacked-out-abrasive ingredients, they are just a Rust-Party waiting to happen. Some are labeled absolutely Prohibiting-Specific-Appln-Timings because of their Russetting issues.

******Early-Copper Applns** also help slow-down *WhiteRot--*LimbRot-*BlackRot

******A "Preventative--Protectant"--Plan of Attack"** is always the best for controlling Apple Scab....Also Best....is Doing Alternate-Centers for 1 Complete-Full-Appln-per-Week.... Because **Nobody** can cover every GreenSpot or Leaf every time.....And also... this Plan affords you more opportunities to get your other Program Components into the Tank-Mix with closer appropriate Timing.

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******The "One & Only"** Systemic Copper Bactericide-Fungicide is CS2005. Undisputed. There are no other Systemic coppers.

******EBDC Can be a Safener** Adding 1 -2 lbs/Ac. of a Mancozeb can serve as a "safener" to the Coppers.... I like that idea....especially if I have serious Scab-Pressure goin on But of course the "**005**" does not need a Safener.

Yup...Serious Researchers Agree on All of the Above ... But, They likely won't tell you to go ahead and Tank-Mix Captans with Coppers or Phites....??? ...Why...???
*The "005" and our FormulaII-SW and our K-Phite are the**only** Copper and Phites you can do that with.*

******Some Insecticidal-Oils** are really very good Performers...

While some are certainly Not.

If I am a "**Organic**-Crop-Producer" I am using some and am very glad I have them in my Tool-Box....But Remember..... **Brandt** has the absolute best Insecticidal Oils....seriously. Brandt is the Manufr making our InSpray-90 and our Indicate 5.... Really a great Quality-Conscious-Company.

But Again....I will never ever recommend any Oils at any time for in a Conventional-Program....where I am doing all of the Nutritionals and the Captans-Etc---That our Organic-Production-Pals cannot use. No Oils...Ever.... Zero [-o-] Oils.

******We Now Have Several ...** I guess Dozens of Guys.... That use **Phoenix**-Liquid-Calcium-Soil-Amendment product in their Foliar Sprays as a Soil & Foliar-Calcium-Supplement & *Safener*So if I dont have any Scab-Pressure, I am likely doin the Phoenix....instead of a EBDC.

Phoenix is Labeled for Appln right over-top of the Crop....all Crops..... but Labeled as a Soil Amendment. Very Cool. We use only the MagnaBon CS2**005** Copper....No old sludge-coppers...so we do not need a Safener. But I like Phoenix in the Tank for that big poke of Calcium. And it's SmartMoneyCheap.

All the Best