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Happy Monday It Appears the Cold Stuff is All Behind Us..... ????

....And a very good chance of more Rain Tonight ...??Actually a smidgen of Rain here earlier today....

*****There's Lots & Lots of Bloom** all over the Ridge ...and with the ForeCasted-Temps, We need to be very watchful of F.Blight Issues.... Where you have threats in that Hi-Dollar stuff....Be ready with your Strep and 005... or MycoShield wStrep ...or Kasumin.
....A Huge Question is if you have any 'Resistance' to Strep in your own Block(s)...??? That makes a big huge difference....

....Huge Difference in your cost-per-Acre.... And....Where we don't find any Resistance, some Researchers figure up to 3, sometimes 4 Days Protection out of Strep....??? I say 2 - 3 Days with 24-Hrs-Back-Action...

But it sure looks like the most common-practice now... the on-going-Strategy that Smart Money keeps implementing....

..... is that "1 Pint-Ac.-CS2005" ... On their HiDollar Varieties.... Everything

1 Pint = Less than \$7 Just keep it in the Tank.

And also...Considering the EarlySeason Cost.... the most we ever use early-on is only 1 Qt.-Ac....\$14 & Change....

I read in agr.news where Jeff recommends CS2005 in Processing and NonBearing Blocks.... He doesn't want any of those pricey Fresh-Pack-Varieties N.Y.RubyFrost ...KoruAutumnCrisp.... and SnapDragons getting any Russet.... Our experience here ...???? No Russet.... always more Russet in the Adjacent Blocks where no Copper was Applied....

*****Blues Guys** have had some impressive results...Last Year....Some the Year before last fighting Gall Wasp ...Using 1 - 2 Lb.-Acre BioCeres with ORO-Boost @ 3 Qts-per-100-Gal-Tank-Mix....

We can substitute Prevam or WetCit for ORO-Boost is we want. Apprx 3 Qts-100gal..... A "rule-of-thumb" for the OROs is 1 oz-per-Gal-of-Tank-Mix.... The Best-Tank-Mix is to use 25-GWA with 24 oz-BioCeres.... and 24 oz-Ac-WetCit [Prevam or ORO-Boost] ...The **ORO-Boost** is the ORO-Product the **Organic-Production** Guys can use.

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This BioCeres stuff is not cheap...but Guys with serious GallWasp issues say it works.
Do 1st Appln at 1st-Emergence....then a 2nd Appln 5-6-7 Days Later.

There's a Gall-Wasp-Emergence"ComputerModel" that says Emergence in that Benton Harbor area is Today...??? But some Growers are saying that its a touch early...???

*****Please Be very Aware** and cautious of what Nutritions you are dumping into your Tank with which Pesticides.... If you havent '*done-it-before*', proceed with extreme skepticism. I just recently heard of another very costly unfortunate mess due to using some Cheap-Stuff in the WrongWay--WrongPlace--WrongTime.... Some of that stuff the Guy paid over \$17-Gal. for...??? the Retailer has about \$1.75 Gal. into it.... just Junk. So sad.

I'll bet if he wanted to use it up in a Weed-Spray-Appln it would be OK??? ...using the right Tank-Mix-Adjuvants for Blending....

I also do think if that Expensive-Low-Quality-Stuff was applied as a Foliar *all by itself*, it would have been fine...??? But who has time for '*all by itself*'...??

*****CrabApplePollinators** are a risky Host for FireBlight.... Watch the Bloom on those ...?? Some of those actually Bloom earlier and also later than your Block Varieties....??? And that Bloom needs to be Protected to in turn protect your Production Varieties.

*****Using Kudos** in Bloom-Late Bloom-Post Bloom Applns is a superb tool for keeping severe FireBlight controlled.... as F.Blight really likes to hit Vigorous Growth.... 4-6 oz.-Ac.Kudos.... And Finally.... do you Guys remember the extreme success we have always had with the "**1-2-3**"...???? The **1** Pint CS2005 plus **2** Pint Regalia plus **3** Pint FormulaII-SW....??? Incredible.

Wishing You All a Blessed Week.....Be Safer

