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Happy Saturday Morning from the West Side of Beautiful Down-Town Kent City

I don't see any Rain in the WunderGround ForeCast til Tuesday....?????

*****Hey Here's a Very Good Point....** Excellent Feed-Back & Questions

Pretty Critical Issue really

One Fave told me that 3 out-of 5 Years we get a very-crazy-severe-3-4-5-Day-Wind-Rain-Infection-Event....??? I'm not gonna try to disprove it...I think he's likely right...???

But...What about that....???.... Thats a pretty huge deal....

A bunch of Guys always end up doin the 5 or 6 Lbs.Captan80WDG every 7 Days for a month of so to fix that damage.

ButWhat about those Guys that do the Alt-Center-Mon-Thrs-Strategy....??? They have been right on it...Stayn ahead of it....Right...??? And early on they are Blowing-Thru negligible Foliage, getting 88% coverage with just the 1st Alt-Center, then with the Thrs-Follow-Up-Center achieving a total of 176% Coverage.... !!!!

Here's what I have seen work well...like 95++%% of the times we have gotten hammered with an Abusive-3-4-5Da.Ugly-Weather-Attack....

So... it's time to go with our MonAM Alt-Center.....But its doin big Wind+Rain that started Sun.AM.... So we wait... MonPM??

TuesAM??? ...Tues.PM...??? OK-Now It's 11 pm Wedn. We finally get our chance. We promptly do that Alt.Center and as soon as we are done, like maybe early Friday Morning...?? We immediately start our Thrs.AM-Alt-Center....and we Complete that Cover asap. It may be Sat-Night-Sunday Morning when we finish....But that Cover is on.

If we get Rain-Wind-Delays in the Process, we simply pick-up where we left off. And...We never 'just-skip' any part of any Alt-Center-Appln... We simply keep catching-up until we are completely caught up.... That way we have all of the Fungicide-Bactericide-Product we need on there, exactly where we need it. And any Nutritions that we wanted in that Tank-Mix also are on that Orchard where we wanted them.

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I have seen this work very well at least twice when using our "**1-2-3**" the **1 Pt-"005"** and **2 Pt.Regalia** and **3 Pt.Formula-II-SW**....It's actually never failed me And if we get a bit too nerved-up about all the radical Wind-Rain, we just add a splash of CapToZeb What??? ...*Captan and Phites* !!!?????!!! *Captan and Copper* ????!!!!!????? Yes...With our "**005**" and our **F-II-SW** Phite we can indeed Tank-Mix with Captan all-day-long....

But please dont ever try that with a junk-phite or old sludge-copper-formulations. Read the directions very carefully.... Lots of "**Do Nots**" ... and even some of the really-new-Low-A.I.-coppers actually have some kinda Oil in there composition....????? Kinda crazy. Just be Careful.

This Methodology helps us escape the secondary-option of 2 or 3 back-to-back-Applns of a newer \$35 - \$55 -Per-Acre Chemistry-Combo which we have all seen fail from time to time.... And a failure after spending '*All-the-Money*' is exceptionally excruciatingly painful & ugly....

Remember....For **Later** on.... If we do get caught with some Secondary-Scab-Uglies.... The 5-6 Lb.Captan80 every 6-7-8 Days.... 3 - 4 Apps @ \$15-\$17-Each has almost always dealt with those Uglies successfully.... and does a pretty darn good job on a lot of other on-going-Disease-Issues we contend with in Apples. If we get really Wet & Cool Weather during this Burn-Out-Effort, We sometimes need an extra cover or 2 of the same. The Silver-Lining inside this discussion...??? Captan is really really cheap right now.

Best Regards..... r

