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## **Fruit Ridge Notes**

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

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Greetings Pals .... Hope You're Stayin Cool....

\*\*\*\*Most of You Heard about the New Regs comin for Paraquat 3SL...??? Seriously Ugly.

 $\boldsymbol{All}$  Paraquat-Gramoxone type formulations ....Gonna be a Pain in the Neck to comply with.

But.... *Chin-Up*....Plan Ahead....Look at your Paraquat 3SL Needs for the foreseeable Future.... then Tell Deanna.... Be prepared for a \*Good Deal ...and \*To Take Delivery....

The Existing-Product-Label is the Law... It can be used up at your leisure...according to your normal strategy.

**But...** We cannot sell the Old Label Product to You Guys **after this coming November 14th**.

Some of the new Quirks of the new Regs .... Ugly ....

- \*\*Increased Applicator Training
- \*\*Product Use Restrictions
- \*\*Can Only be Applied by Licensed Certified Pesticide Applicators
- \*\*Plus Paraquat-Specific-OnLine-EPA Training ...And...
- \*\*Beginning Nov-2020, Paraquats will be required to be sold and applied only in "Closed-Systems"....

.....meaning you will have to Retro-Fit Weed Sprayer Tanks for new 'Closed-System' Jugs....

Gettn seriouslyUgly.....and....

a Reminder.... Dont allow Paraquat Products to Freeze.

**So...** Bottom-Line.... Do some Cipherin...Tell Deanna how many Cases you need ASAP...

**Substitutes for \$6-Ac- Paraquat 3SL....???** Maybe the Rely 280SL type Products...???... those Generics @ apprx \$26-Ac...??

There are a bunch of Berry and Tree Fruit places where we highly UN-Recommend any Glyphosates.... even tho they're cheaper that Dog-Do-Do....

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\*\*\*\*Our Blues Pals are in Full-Swing-Harvest.... Some early Varieties are in the History Books.... Some of the later stuff is on the Front Edge with Hand-Harvesting .... Quality is Excellent and Yields are Great ....

Sounds like the West-Central-Michigan Blues Boys are stayin ahead of the SWDs.... Ya just gotta stay on a really tight Spray Schedule. The SWDs are all over the Place. Just keep Sprayin. Just Killem.

Those miserable SWDs are also makin life miserable for Raspberry Growers....

\*\*\*\*Some Blueberry Guys in the SouthWest Corner are getting close to the Finish Line ....

Please Look at Your Pesticides-Inventory.... Lets get started discussing which & what can work well for you in your Post-Harvest-Application....

Warm Regards ....r