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Fruit Ridge Notes

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Fruit Ridge Notes - 2nd Edition--Monday--April 6 - 2020

**Hey Friends ...Monday--6th
No.2 --- More Great Feed-Back...
Extended Discussions -- Elaboration**

**** Yes--I have ...over the Years...

Heard Folks say they like some Dandelion in the Orchard Floor...

Thinking that they bring in more Bees ...and they like keeping Bees around.... a lot... a long time

I do not agree I want those Bees in there for those Fruit-Blossoms.... and then out.

If we have to use only the-All-Bee-Friendly-Pesticides All the Time, it will make the Chem-Bills 2X or 3X what they need to be.

There are several Instances in the Season-Long-Program when we want 1 - 2 - 3 Pesticides in that Tank-Mix that cost-per-Acre ==

== *\$1.45...\$2.42...\$4.25* ...while the Alternatives for those 3 are \$26.00...\$32.00...\$44.00==Cost-per-Acre...

Many of the Newest Pricey Pesticides are only really really effective on 1 or 2 Pests... while some older-El-Cheapo-Products are more Broad-Spectrum. My Strategy includes some serious old BuffKickrChemistries.... and yes we still enjoy our share of Predators-Beneficials... Maybe not quite as many as acupla Neighbors that spend that \$Xtra\$ per-Ac-Co\$t 3-4 times per Year🤔

**** **Yes----Glad You Noticed That !!!!** Some of the Labeling for some of the Imidacloprids do indeed allow for a '8 oz-Ac' Appln !!! Some actually 16 oz-Acre.... But those are for Soil Applns....

For Foliar Apps... for many Years ...the 'Norm' has been 5 Apps of 3.2 oz-Ac-Each....allowing for 16 oz-Ac-per-Season-Limit.... We still cannot exceed that

If you decide for some reason you really need to do a 16 oz-Ac-Soil-applied Imidacloprid 4F....??? Thats all you can do for the whole Season.

For me....??? I'd be saving it til later when every last Bloom-Flower is gone.....and the Bees are all out & gone.... Then Id be doin my 3.2 oz-Ac... 5 Apps... Maxing out my Legal-Seasonal-Limit. Id be doin these 5 Apps over a TimeFrame ranging from 1st Cover thru up to 2 - 3 weeks of Harvest.

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This shares some "Job-Description" with AgriMek....Abamectin.... So when you do your 2 - FullRate-AppsAbamectin, you'll wanna save your Imidacloprid for the next Cover. You cant kill the same Bug twice. And when it comes to Xtream-Low-Cost-Hi-Efficacy Products like these, I want all the Bang I can get. I just wish the Seasonal Limit on Imidacloprid was 100 oz-per-Season...😞😞

Also.... RememberThis and also Abamectin-AgriMek are Labeled for just about every Crop in Michigan !!!!! Use these to the Limit It wont be long til the BugHuggers will have their way with these as well....😞😞

**** Alicandro says "Apple Scab Ascospores..... They are ready when the Trees are ready."

Always at 'Green-Tip' "If the Enemy is in Range...then so are you."

And Also Today

MatthewDeannas Younger Brother our Youngest Turns 44 Yrs Old !!!! 😄😎😍😁👍👊

Have a Blessed Week

