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Hello Friends ...

Hey ...It's 9-19-19... That's a 'Full-House' !! ♠♣♥♦

Supposed to be SunShine thru Saturday Evening...

They changed their Forecast which predicted ThunderStorms Sunday... Now only "Showers" ... 🙌👏

...Quite a bit of Rain in the Long-Range-Forecast for late next week.

I **Visited** a young HoneyCrisp Orchard this Morning... Heavy Load... But Lots of 64Ct + 72Ct + 80s & 88s... some 100Ct... First-Class-Beautiful...Impeccable Quality. That Guy is in the \$eriou\$ Money...

****** Blush 2X**...Some of You have indeed used it 7-8-9 Days before Pick, and had amazing results. You're not supposed to get that impressive Hi-Impact-Red-Color Improvement in just those few Days... ??? Unless you already had the 1st-Appln on 2 weeks earlier...???

But...More power to Ya... That's Great !!!

I know the Blush "R & D" Guys ...They say you wont get that great Results on every Variety every Time... But a 15% to 45% Increase in good Red really Pays some Bills...

****** Recent Visit** with a victim of Phytophthora in a very well established Apple Block... Some Low-Spots with what appears to be a broken or failing-drainage-system...??

95% of the Trees that were questionable 10-12 Weeks back look like they'll make it. He's gonna do another 4 Qt.-Ac-Formula-II-SW or K-Phite7LP immediate PostHarvest.

That's in addition to his other Nutrient-Tank-Mix that he is planning on all Blocks. In these specific-Wet-Feet-Winter-Damage-Blocks, 75% of the Trees never appeared to be in any danger...No Symptoms.

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******Lots of Active Mouse-Holes...** Guys are askin about MouseBait. The last time we checked on that, we determined that we could not save Ya'll much money. So, we left it lay. If you think you're getting quoted way to high, check with Deanna.616-887-9933

******C.A.Lime...** Sometimes we do have several Pallets here at 14050 Fruit Ridge—Kent City... But not always.

99% of that is delivered right to you-the Storage Operator in 20 Tn-TruckLoads. Check with Nancy.616-887-9933

If you have your own Trucks and can source it yourself, just make sure you get the "Hi-Cal" Hydrated Lime....Not the HiMag. HiMag only works if you use 3 Times more than the CalciumCarbonate.

******Clarification... Agree...** Some Faves are telln me that 1 ga.GreenFeed-27 does more than a 50Lb.Bg-Urea46-0-0...?? I totally agree... But the "Real-Data" indicates 1 ga.=35Lb.Urea. I'm just saying I'd never do the granular again...ever.... I'm "Spoon-Feeding" GreeFeed27 ...3-4-5-6 Qt-Ac-whenever there is a Need based on Tissue or Sap Analysis.

******Another "N"Source** that is very Front-Edge-Multi-Purpose is the AgriNos-5-0-0... You get a critically significant Increase in Soil-Microbial-Activity when you include 1-2-3 lbs-AgriNos-5-0-0 in your Appln. For "Maintenance just do 1 Lb.-Ac. The BluesBoys are most always on Light-Sandy-Soils, and really really watch the "Soil-Microbial-Health" Issues. They have determined in the last cupla Years that \$50 worth of the Agrinos-Strategy Out-Performs \$250 worth of some other "Programs" that some Dope-Peddlers have talked them into trying.

******One Apple Guy** I just Talked to got into serious Scab Trouble early... Bigger Trees...Older Varieties...He managed to keep most off the Fruit, but it still looks real bad. He's doing 1-Pt-Acre-"005" PreHarvest....and 1 Qt-Ac-Post-Harvest...along with his Nutrient-Package.

Gods Peace...r