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# Fruit Ridge Notes

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## Fruit Ridge Notes - Friday - March 13 - 2020

**Oh No!!! Friday the 13th!!!!**    **Be Careful out There!!!**

... Just Kiddn.... my personal history with Friday-the-13th has all been very nice.

**\*\*\*Delivery Schedule-Plan Ahead- Get your Orders in a Day in Advance!!**

Monday: Ridge  
Tuesday: South  
Wednesday: Oceana County  
Thursday: Grand Traverse County  
Friday: Emergency Deliveries

**See attached agr.news from Jeff Alicandro... Good Info right there!!!**

**\*\*\* Corona Virus “Epidemic”**   



**Wash Your Hands** 

**Don't Touch Your Face** 

**Don't Stop drinking Corona**  ... Maybe start drinking Corona???

**But, No Need to Panic, Our GOD Wins Always!!!**

**Wishing you plenty of toilet paper to get you through these**

**days ahead!!!**  

Have a Safe & Blessed Weekend .....

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WNY crops:  apple buds yawning  
 stone fruit too

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### FEATURED TECHNOLOGY FOR FRUITGROWERS

CS 2005 copper fungicide - Field proven to be both safe and effective by growers and researchers alike...

Golden Delicious fruit finish evaluation


UTC (no copper sprays)    CS 2005 spray program  
2015 evaluation - Cornell Hudson Valley Lab

While there is always some risk of fruit injury (russetting) when applying any copper fungicide to apples, CS 2005 has proven to be a valuable resistance management tool in integrated fireblight control programs across the northeast. Call or visit our website to learn more and discover how "Tomorrow's Copper" can go to work in your orchard, today!


For more information:

- 1-800-845-1357 [WWW.MAGNABON.COM](http://WWW.MAGNABON.COM)
- In New York, CS 2005 is available through GrowMark.
- In the Great Lakes and PNW area contact:
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Less Copper, More Power!



CS 2005 is an EPA registered and OMRI approved fungicide/bactericide for use on citrus, tree fruits, vegetables, field crops and vines.



\* Don't shoot the messenger - Time to stop swimmin' in the middle of denial. Obviously the open 2020 winter is likely to usher in a pretty early spring as well- so get ready to rumble as required. Many of your key overwintering orchard critters begin to get a wee bit restless at development thresholds of only 44-45F...

\* Planning to thin your Galas harder this season for better fruit size? - Good plan !!

- The math is pretty simple: earlier Gala thinning = larger Gala fruit size
- And the most cost-effective way to thin them harder for better fruit size is to dormant prune them harder.
- Chemical thinners alone just can't knock enough fruitlets off of this highly productive apple variety.
- You'd be way ahead to go back out soon and dormant re-prune bearing Gala trees some more for a second time than to hit them repeatedly with chemical thinning agents or to hand-them more aggressively.
- If your older Gala trees look neat and tidy now all full of droopy old fruiting wood, they will once again be extremely difficult to chemically thin and fruit size will remain iffy.
- Go back out and shorten up some pendant fruiting wood to both reduce total potential crop load and remove flower clusters which won't size well to begin with. It'll make your chemical thinning program look much better.

\* NEW and upcoming scab fungicides for apples -

- Miravis(Syngenta) SDHI fungicide is effective vs. apple scab, powdery mildew and summer diseases- and is labeled for use in New York state in 2020.
- Kenja 400SC(Summit Agro) SDHI fungicide is labeled vs. scab and powdery mildew(suppression)- and is registered for use in New York state.
- Cevya(BASF) DMHI/SI fungicide is effective vs. scab, powdery mildew and summer diseases. Unfortunately it is not yet registered for use in New York state.
- Like older SIs and SDHIs, these new materials should also be tank-mixed with protective fungicides.

Always consult each product label before using any agricultural chemical. Chemical labels and use regulations may vary by state- so consult local regulations prior to using any agrichemical product.

