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Fruit Ridge Notes

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Hey Pals....

A Very Cool Pretty Day on the West Side of Beautiful Down-Town Kent City

WunderGround mentions a 50% Chance Rain Shower tomorrow morning??

Lookn like 12 mph Breeze Saturday and Tuesday ...

**** In Spite of the Cool-Long-Wet-Brutal-Disease-Laden-Spring.... ??? Most Crops are looking very Good !!! Some actually Beautiful...

If Any of You ever have something interesting to share in these FRNotes, pls EMail me. I wont use your Name unless you tell me to.

These NewsLetters-=-FRNotes will be getting skimpier and less frequent now...

When Ya'll get seriously into Harvest, you'll have more serious time constraints....

and of course the "War" is almost over.

****Looking at the Sweet & Tart Cherry Trees inter-planted in that 10-Ac-Apple-Trial-Block by my House Just now starting to see some Leaf-Yellowing with some Leaf-Drop.

Those have of course been getting the Apple-Trial-Protocol Applns all Season longwhich as of today includes **26**-Centers==13 Full-Cover-Apps of "CS2**005**"with Nutritions in every Tank. In the 10-Ac-Protocol-Block in Alpine Township, same 13 Apps "**005**"....Apples -- No RussetNo Scab...

****Looking at the Apples--Trial-Blocks Lots of 88's and 100 Count well-Over 3"Lots....

Even where they are roped on ...Lots. And 3 - 4 weeks til Harvest...??

And then.... I think about how much money we saved by not doing any of the old conventional N-P-K+Micros-Granular-Dry-Blended-Xtreme-Hi-Cost stuff typically recommended by the folks 'down-the-street'. We did none of the Ol Traditional stuff... Just only all Redox Strategy. About 50% - 60% of the cost of the Old-Way....been doing it for 8 - 9 Years now.

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When I look at their Delivery & Invoice documentation of how 'they' work their Nutrition-Strategy ... All of their Hi-Cost-Dry-Blends...all the crazy Hi-Priced Foliar Nutritions recommended... It becomes apparent how some Guys spend way more on Nutrition than on Insecticides and Fungicides. Some of those 'programs' from 'down-the-street' are just such huge money ...painfully Huge.

Some 'Experts' think the 'Over-All-Plant-Health' appears to be much better in these Protocol Blocks when compared to the old "Conventional-Practices" orchards around the corner...??

****Very Soon Now.... Is the Time when many of You have told me you are making that big Decision to "'Stop-the-Bleeding" ... Which means no more Bulk Spreaders of Hi-Priced-Granulars for "Fall-Applied" Nutritions... The only Fall-Plant-Food we will be doing is going into the Post-Harvest-Foliar-Tank-Mix and into the Post-Harvest-Fall-Weed-Spray-Tank-Mix All compatible with the Pesticides we want to get in there with.

**** The Early-Post-Bloom-Miticide-Program in both of those Trial Blocks.... 2 Apps 3 Weeks apart Abamectin 0.15EC @ 20 oz-Ac-Both Apps.... \$8.50-Ea.Appln... Is Still Holding.... No ERMs ...and also No Woolies.... While just up the Street from the Alpine-Trial-Block ...they had to be in some Blocks 3-4 weeks ago for ERMs and Woolies.

We never use any of the "Oils" so strenuously recommended on the AgriMek Label. We only use the 4-Pt-100-Gal-InSpray-90.

InSpray-90...No Mess...No Fuss...No Tank-Mix-Issues...No Phyto... No \$50-Ac-Miticides...

Aphids...??? *Greens...*Woolies...??? Our Main-Thing is the "Imidacloprid 4F"-5 Apps @ 3.2oz-Ac.=\$2.60=\$13-Ac-per-Season

.....more Details to Come

Gods Peace...