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Hey Friends... It Got Cold Out....

Just moved the 'Mode-Thing' from A.C. to Heat...

Well ...It is the last Day of September...☹️

Total Rain so Far out of this Current System....1.25 Inches... West of Sparta.

WunderGround 10-Day-Forecast... Very Cool... Very good chance of more Rain... SunShine Friday and then Monday Onward...and ... getting some Sun right now...

Avg High-Temps in mid-50*s... Avg Low-Temps apprx 43°F... Rain Today, Tomorrow and Sunday.

So...Apple Guys... ☹️...Some Orchard Floors are at risk of Ugliness ... ☹️

And **Yup**.... I will be Skippn-a-Day from time-to-time with these Fruit Ridge Notes...

Everyone is in the Choke-Hold of Harvest ... about as busy as it gets. It's what we work all year for...Getting that Crop off and get it Inside... Most of Y'all have it dialed-down to a fine-tuned-Science...👏👍😊☐

Then ...Thru the "Off-Season" we will be bringing you anything we find urgent-important...and that of course will include all of the Details surrounding our Learning-Opportunity-Meetings-Etc... and... When I am On-the-Road the DeeTeam will frequently effectively share any timely News... as they have nicely done in the Past.👏👍

Also... Frequently I get enuf discussion+interest in a specific Issue that it seems prudent to share thoughts on FRNotes. That happens All-Off-Season-Long...

**** **I'm just Reading Jeffs "agr.news" ...** He agrees that the Boron & Zinc are very important in the Post-Harvest-Spray-Tank.... for boosting the health & strength of overwintering Fruit Buds. He says some Guys then skip the 'B' & 'Zn' in their 'Pink-Spray' when they do it Post-Harvest...?? I maintain that we need to do both. Facts being... Our 'B' & 'Zn' are not only the best Performers in the marketplace, but they are very Low-Cost-Cheap compared to the much less effective challengers sold 'down-the-street'....for "All-the-Money"....

Jeff also mentions to definitely get your VitaZyme or Bio-Shot in this Post-Harvest Tank...

Jeff is the Man..... He is the man that called me apprx 8-9 years ago and said..."**Reister...Ya gotta look at this VitaZyme stuff !!**" Now he has looked extensively at the BioShot and says 'Yup...Does the same as VitaZyme'.

For convenience many of Y'all have switched to BioShot... and all of your FeedBack indicates excellent Results..and maybe a bit less-cost... Every Tree loves this stuff every time all the time anytime. But it is especially critical wherever we had a *huuge* Crop-Load...

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Generally accepted BioShot "*Normal-Program*" is 1 Bottle [Liter] per 10 - 20 Acre Tank...Depending on TRV.

We make these Applns at 1.Pink-- 2.Petal Fall-- 3. 2nd Cover-- 4. 2-3-Weeks before Harvest-- 5.Post Harvest

****** "*Does a Post-Harvest-'N'*"-Appln do more Harm than Good...???"** Here's the thing... There's a 15 yr-old-Study done on Apples by some doggone astute Folks in Washington State saying '*No... Fall Applns 'N' do not cause any additional Winter Damage*'.... and they were doing some big doses...

.... But we all agree that we do *Not* go out there with big doses of ground applied granular "N" stuff. Even the Guys that have not yet "*Stopped the Bleeding*" don't do that. When we do 3-4-5 Qts-Ac.-GreenFeed-27 we are giving those Fruit-Buds a nice invigorating poke...makes them stronger for the upcoming Cold. There's no that 3.5 Lbs.-"N" is gonna rev up our Tree to be vulnerable to damage.

Remember...Think back.... Your neighbor, or maybe your-own-self has had in the past, quite bad Winter-Damage... from a early-very-Cold-Spell after Zero [-0-] Fall-Applns "N" 😞

****** *Your CS2005 will Help a Bunch ...Post-Harvest...***Wherever you had any Disease Issues of any kind... It will play nice in your Tank-Mix with all the cool Stuff we promote in these FRNs... and its Low-Cost-Cheap..... and it will not trash your beautiful expensive-Equipment with the disgusting corrosive abrasive Blue-Sludge-Paint. 🍌👍

****** *Those Wayne County New York Growers*** are looking at a RainFall Deficit of 8" - 12" since Green Tip... The Thinking is that wherever we have any *Xtra*-Stress of any kind, we need to not only do Zn & 'B' and BioShot...but also your other Nutrition... Here-Michigan--Our Guys will do the GreenFeed-27 at 2 - 5 Qts-Ac...depending on **TRV**... I know the Label suggests alot more than that...???but 4-5 Qts-Ac on good-sized Production Trees is great. That's as much "N" as 25Lb.-Cal Nitrate....and some serious Researchers and some of You Huuuge-Acreage-Users have proved it to perform better-more-effective than 35 Lbs.-Spray-Grade-Urea.And....

We like 2-3 Lbs. DiKaP for the "P" and "K".... The main thing ...the important *word of caution* ...is wherever the Trees are really stressed for any reason....any reason... that "Return-Bloom" is gonna suffer. We gotta give it some Love...

Gods Peace Locked & Loaded....