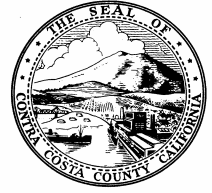





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DATE: March 16, 2010
TO: **Cherry and Berry Growers**
FROM: Janet Caprile
Farm Advisor 
RE: **Spotted Wing Drosophila - a new pest of cherries and berries**

A new pest showed up in our cherry orchards last season – the Spotted Wing Drosophila, *Drosophila suzukii* (also known as the Cherry Vinegar Fly). It caused significant damage not only in Brentwood but throughout California and the entire Pacific Northwest in cherries, berries and a few other stone fruits.

I have attached an information sheet about this pest and invite you to a meeting to discuss the control options for this coming season. And you WILL need to have active control to avoid damage in cherries. We will specifically be addressing controls appropriate to:

- U-pick and Roadside stand operations
- Organic operations
- Conventional shipping operations.

Spotted Wing Drosophila Meeting **(also known as the Cherry Vinegar Fly)**

When: Tuesday, April 6th
4 – 5:30 pm

Where: Diablo Valley Farm Center
Delta Rd at 2nd St
Knightsen, CA

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