

TREE PEST UPDATES

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CODLING MOTH

HOST CROPS: Apple, Pear, Walnut

3A BIOFIX: The third flight of codling moth has just begun or should begin shortly in most orchards. I'm setting an area wide biofix of **August 12**. Some orchards had a substantial 2B flight in late July that was not sprayed and it blended into and has obscured the increase in trap catches that signals the new flight. If you have had continued high flight, you should spray ASAP. Conversely, orchards that sprayed the 2B flight may have a residual that is controlling the beginning of this 3rd flight – wait for the increase in trap counts in your own orchard before timing your spray. **The optimum time to spray at this time of year is 9-14 days after the flight begins** (depending on material – see below). Plan your spray timing and material according to your projected harvest date to avoid Pre-Harvest Interval (PHI) problems.

3B FLIGHT: Due to the cool weather which has drawn out the flight, I doubt if we will see much of a late flight for this third and last generation.

TREATMENT TIMING: [* = organic options]

APPLES & PEARS

Treat at 250 DD OR 11 days after your own flight begins with any of these materials:

Altacor (5 day PHI), *Delegate* (7 day PHI), *Assail* (7 day PHI), *Imidan* (7 day PHI),
Guthion (14-21day PHI), *Warrior* (21 day PHI):

Treat at 200 DD OR 9 days after your own flight begins with any of these materials:

Intrepid (14 day PHI), *Entrust** (7 day PHI), *Cxd-X** (0 day PHI), *oil** (when dry):

WALNUTS

Not all walnut orchards need to treat every generation. If you have 2% damage, you should treat this generation.

Treat at 250-300 DD OR 11-14 days after your own flight begins with any of these materials:

Altacor (10 day PHI), *Delegate* (14 day PHI), *Warrior* (14 day PHI), *Baythroid* (14 day PHI),
Brigade (7 day PHI), *Belt* (14 day PHI), *Proclaim* (14 day), *Penncap* (14 day PHI, 25 day REI),
Imidan (28 day PHI), *Lorsban* (14 day PHI), *Pounce/Ambush* (1 day PHI):

Dimlin (28 day PHI): Should be applied before the flight begins, if used alone, or at the 300 DD timing if mixed with a low rate of one of the insecticides listed above.

Treat at 200-250 DD OR 9-11 days after the flight begins with any of these materials:

Intrepid (14 day PHI), *Entrust+oil** (1 day PHI), *Cyd-X* (0 day PHI):

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Time Sensitive Material

Many thanks to Suterra for providing traps for the Contra Costa County Tree Pest Update Program

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What's a Biofix?: It's just the beginning of the flight for each new generation. We usually have 3 generations for codling moth in this area. We use the Biofix to begin degree day calculations for each generation so we know when egg laying, hatchout, and other lifecycle events will happen. This helps us to time our treatments most effectively.

What's a Degree Day? Insects develop faster or slower depending on the temperature. Degree days are a measure based on the maximum and minimum temperatures for each day which allow us to figure out how fast the insects are developing. You may see them abbreviated as DD or °D. If you have the daily maximum & minimum temperatures for your orchard, you can look the degree days up on a chart. If you have access to the Internet, you can get Brentwood weather data and do a degree day calculation from the UC IPM Program home page. This page also lets you calculate the projected degree days based on historical weather data so you can make projections for treatment windows (this is how I do it!). The address is <http://www.ipm.ucdavis.edu>. Give me a call if you would like a degree day chart or more information.