

Tree Fruit IPM Advisory

Weekly Orchard Pest Update, Utah State University Extension, June 3, 2010

News/What to Watch For:

Insect activity (codling moth, fruitworm, aphids, leafhopper, and beneficials) continues to be at a low due to cold weather.

Watch for powdery mildew lesions on apple, cherry, and peach leaves. Codling moth spray timing (codling moth), page 4 Spray materials, pages 5-6

Insect and Disease Activity/Info

APPLES/PEARS

Fire Blight



We continue to see fire blight infections in many apples, particularly the later blooming varieties. Keep ahead of infections

now (by pruning them out in dry weather) to prevent a bigger fire blight problem later. If you can check your trees daily, all the better.

Young trees (up to 8 years) should get special attention. Old trees with heavy infections should probably be pruned in winter. A heavy pruning now could stimulate new shoot growth that is susceptible to infection.

STONE FRUITS

Powdery Mildew



Infections of powdery mildew on peach fruit are white and fuzzy. If the fuzz is scraped away, you can see the scarring damage to the fruit.

The powdery mildew that infects apple foliage can also affect peach fruit (but not peach foliage). Usually fruit is only susceptible to new infections up until pit hardening. Infected areas appear as white fuzzy lesions that eventually turn a rusty brown with a web-like pattern.

Pacific Flatheaded Borer

Flatheaded borers can attack all species of fruit trees, their preference being weak, stressed, or injured trees. The pacific flatheaded borer is the most common flatheaded borer in the West. In northern Utah, adults of this species will begin emerging from their pupation sites within infested trees in early to mid June, and continue for about a month.



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ture. If a healthy tree is attacked, the borer will likely be killed by a vigorous flow of sap.

- The key for borer management is prevention:
 - keeping trees at optimal health
 - remove infested trees
 - protect trunks from winter sunscald with paint or wrap
 - keep weeds and grass away from the base of the trunk
 - According to Washington State University, females will only lay eggs in direct sun on the lower trunk. Using something that shades the trunk most of the summer will prevent egg laying. Options include tree wrap, cloth, or burlap, applied loosely.

Trees at risk such as young fruit trees near infested trees, trees stressed by drought, and trees with wounded bark may require preventive insecticide sprays. The spray is applied to the bark to kill hatching larvae. Spray the trunk up to the lower limbs about June I and again on July I.

Degree Day Accumulations and Insect Development Upcoming Monitoring/Insect Activity

Pest	Host(s)	DD/Monitoring Action
Apple powdery mildew	apple	Look for small white lesions on new foliage
Cherry powdery mildew	cherry	Look for small white lesions on new foliage near the base and interior of the tree
White apple leafhopper	apple	Look for nymph and adult activity on undersides of leaves
Codling moth	apple, pear	Egg-hatch continues through late June/early July
Western cherry fruit fly	cherry	First flies appear on yellow sticky traps in early June; treat when fruit develops salmon blush color
Peach twig borer	peach, nectarine	First flight early to mid June
Flatheaded appletree borer	apple, pear (uncommon)	Adults start emerging early June
San Jose scale	apple mostly	Crawlers hatch early June; treat in late June

Degree Day Accumulations and Pest Phenology, through June 2

			Codling Moth			
County	Location	GDD (50)	DD (post biofix)	% Moth Flight	% Egg Hatch	
Box	Perry		121	19	0	
Elder	Tremonton	229				
Cache	North Logan	220				
	Providence		80	10	0	
	Smithfield	196				
Carbon	Price		145	24	0	
Davis	Kaysville		124	19	0	
Grand	Castle Valley		396	77	30	
Juab	Tintic		68	8	0	
Salt Lake	Holladay		162	29	0	
	West Valley City		178	35	0	
Sevier	Richfield		127	21	0	
Tooele	Erda		15			
	Tooele		98	15	0	
Uintah	Vernal		138	24	0	
Utah	Alpine		92	13	0	
	American Fork		158	29	0	
	Genola		161	29	0	
	Lincoln Point		3	22	0	
	Orem		165	30	0	
	Payson		128	21	0	
	Provo		167	30	0	
	Santaquin		144	25	0	
	West Mountain		146	25	0	
Weber	Pleasant View		152	27	0	
Wasatch	Heber City	204				
Wayne	Capitol Reef		287	56	4	

Spray Timing

Please check these chart each week for updated dates. These dates are forecasted using the average temperature for each site. Fruit should remain protected through each generation according to interval provided on pesticide label.

Codling Moth, First Generation

Most residential growers should start sprays at the "traditional start date," unless you choose to use horticultural oil at 200 DD. The period of greatest egg hatch occurs from 340 DD - 640 DD.

		If using oil for early ovicide			
County	Location	Apply Oil (200 DD)	Apply delayed 1st cover (350 DD)	Traditional Start Date (1% egg hatch)	Period of Greatest Egg Hatch (340-640 DD)
Box Elder	Perry	June 7	June 17	June 8	June 16 - July 2
	Tremonton				
Cache	N. Logan				
	Providence	June I I	June 22	June 13	June 21 - July 8
	Smithfield				
Carbon	Price	June 7	June 19	June 9	June 19 - July 7
Davis	Kaysville	June 6	June 15	June 7	June 14 - June 29
Grand	Castle Valley				May 29 - June 13
Juab	Tintic	June I I	June 21	June 13	June 20 - July 6
Salt Lake	Holladay	June 3	June I I	June 4	June II - June 25
	West Valley City	June 2	June 12	June 4	June II - June 26
Sevier	Richfield	June 7	June 17	June 8	June 17 - July 4
Tooele	Erda	June 14	June 22	June 15	June 22 - July 4
	Tooele	June 8	June 16	June 9	June 16 - June 30
Uintah	Vernal	June 6	June 16	June 7	June 15 - July 2
Utah	Alpine	June 9	June 19	June 10	June 18 - July 4
	American Fork	June 4	June 14	June 5	June 13 - June 29
	Genola	June 4	June 14	June 5	June 13 - June 29
	Lincoln Point	June 8	June 16	June 8	June 15 - July 1
	Orem	June 3	June I I	June 4	June II - June 25
	Payson	June 6	June 14	June 7	June 14 - June 28
	Provo	June 3	June 12	June 4	June II - June 26
	Santaquin	June 5	June 15	June 7	June 14 - June 30
	West Mountain	June 5	June 13	June 6	June 13 - June 28
Weber	Pleasant View	June 4	June 13	June 6	June 13 - June 28
Wasatch	Heber City				
Wayne	Capitol Reef	May 27	June 5	May 28	June 4 - June 19

Spray Materials - Commercial Applicators

NOTE: If your trees are in bloom, we do not recommend applying any pesticides unless you are controlling fire blight with antibiotics. Although it is OK to use "softer" materials such as Bt or spinosad during bloom, we still recommend either: waiting until the petal fall stage or applying at dawn or dusk when pollinators are not active.

Target				Amount	REI	
Pest	Host	Chemical	Example Brands	per acre		Comments
Codling	apple,	hort. oil	variety	see label		 for all products, ensure good
moth	pear	acetamiprid	Assail	3.4 oz	12 h	coverage for effective control
		deltamethrin	Battalion	7-14 oz	12 h	
		methoxyfenozide	Intrepid	l6 oz	4 h	 hort. oil works on eggs only
		phosmet	Imidan	5.33 lbs	5 d	
		spinetoram	Delegate	6-7 oz	4 h	 codling moth virus must be
		thiacloprid	Calypso	4-8 oz	12 h	applied every 7 days
		rynaxypyr	Altacor	3.5-4.5		
		codling moth virus	Virosoft, etc			• Altacor and Delegate have shown to have good efficacy, and target eggs and larvae
Powdery	apple	potassium bicarbonate	Kaligreen	2.5-3 lb	4 h	rotate among chemical classes to
mildew		myclobutanil	Rally	5 oz	24 h	prevent resistance
		trifloxystropin	Flint	2-2.5 oz	12 h	
		triflumizole	Procure	8-16 oz	12 h	
		fenarimol	Rubigan	12 oz	12 h	
		boscalid/pyraclostrobin	Pristine	14.5-18 oz	12 h	
Green peach	peach,	acetamiprid	Assail	8 oz	12 h	
aphid	nectarine	imidacloprid	Provado	4-8 oz	12 h	
Lygus bug	peaches	azadirachtin	Aza-Direct	I-2 pints	4 h	OMRI certified organic
		beta-cyfluthrin	Baythroid	2-2.4 oz	12 h	restricted use product
		cyfluthrin	Tombstone	2-2.4 oz	12 h	restricted use product
		pyrethrin	Pyganic	45-18	4 h	OMRI certified organic
Powdery	peach	azoxystrobin	Abound	11-15 oz		
mildew		potassium bicarbonate	Kaligreen	2.5-3 lb		
		trifloxystrobin	Gem	4-8 oz		
		pyraclostrobin + boscalid	Pristine	10.5-14.5 oz		
		sulfur products	variety	see label		
Pacific	all fruit	esfenvalerate	Asana	see label		sprays usually not necessary in
flatheaded	trees	pyrethrin	Pyganic	see label	4 h	commercial orchards
appletree						
borer						Pyganic: OMRI organic

Spray Materials - Residential Applicators

Note that these treatments are only recommended if you know you have the particular pest in your trees. We recommend learning about specific pests, and scouting your trees at least once/week.

Target				
Pest	Host	Chemical	Example Brands	Comments
Codling moth	apple, pear	Conventional carbaryl acetamiprid malathion gamma-cyhalothrin bifenthrin Soft/organic hort. oil (1%) spinosad codling moth virus	Sevin, Bonide Fruit Tree Spray, etc. Ortho Max Flower, Fruit, and Veg., Malathion Spectracide Triazicide Ortho Max Lawn and Garden Insect Killer Many products Green Light, Gardens Alive Bull's Eye Virosoft, Cyd-X	acetamiprid: every 14 days carbaryl: every 14 - 21 days malathion: every 7 days gamma-cyhalothrin: every 14 days bifenthrin: every 14 days hort. oil: lasts 5-7 days for killing eggs; use at beginning of each generation; ap- ply at 1% rate only when temperatures are below 80; follow up with a different product spinosad: every 7 days codling moth virus can only be pur- chased online
White apple leafhopper	apple	imidacloprid acetamiprid	Ortho Max Tree and Shrub Ortho Max Flower, Fruit and Veg.	one application when nymphs are first noticed in spring
Powdery mildew	apple	Conventional bayleton propiconazole Soft/organic lime sulfur neem oil potassium bicarbonate	Lilly Miller Ferti-Lome Bonide Garden Safe Kaligreen	do not apply lime sulfur when tempera- ture is over 75 degrees F
Fire blight	apple, pear			Do not use antibiotics on trees after bloom; they are ineffective. Management for fire blight through the summer entails pruning out new infections only.
Pacific flatheaded borer	all fruit trees	Conventional carbaryl imidacloprid permethrin	Sevin Bayer Advanced Tree & Shrub Spectracide	carbaryl and permethrin: apply 1 to 3 applications at 2-4 weeks apart, depend- ing on severity imidacloprid: only on apples; apply once as a drench in spring

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