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Subject: Malathion: Christmas Tree Use Rates

The following information is provided to you from the Western Integrated Pest Management Center regarding your request for input on EPA’s proposed rates for malathion use on Christmas trees. On September 27 you asked for feedback on EPA’s proposals to require a 12-hour REI and to limit malathion use as follows:

1) for non-ULV formulations limit applications to 3.2 # ai/A,
2) for ULV formulations limit applications to 0.9375 # ai/A, and
3) restrict use to two applications per year.

Because malathion is not used extensively in Pacific Northwest Christmas tree production, growers here have no objections to EPA’s proposals.

I hope you find this information useful. I am also attaching a contact list for your use should you have further questions.

Sincerely,

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