Subject: Comments in response to questions about malathion use in papayas, mangoes, passion fruit, and guava in Hawai‘i

The following comments are being submitted in response to questions about the use of the insecticide malathion in papayas, mangoes, passion fruit and guavas. These comments are being submitted on behalf of the Western Integrated Pest Management Center and provide input on the use of malathion on these tropical fruit crops in Hawai‘i.

Dear Mr. Moriarity,

Following is information about malathion use on specified crops in Hawai‘i.

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<tr>
<th>Crop</th>
<th>Rate of application</th>
<th>Number of applications per year</th>
<th>Re-treatment interval (days)</th>
<th>Restricted entry interval</th>
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<tr>
<td>Papaya</td>
<td>1.25 lb ai/A</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>12 hours</td>
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<td>Mango</td>
<td>0.9375 lb/A</td>
<td>10</td>
<td>14</td>
<td>24 hours</td>
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<td>Guava</td>
<td>0.9375 lb ai/A</td>
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<td>Passion Fruit</td>
<td>0.9375 lb ai/A</td>
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We would like to emphasize that the guava, mango, passion fruit industries are very small in Hawai‘i and representatives for these industries in Florida should be consulted. Any risk mitigation measures for these crops would probably affect growers in Florida more than growers in Hawai‘i.

Please contact us if you have any questions or concerns about malathion use in Hawai‘i.

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