Malathion Use on Citrus in California

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Subject: RE: malathion use on citrus fruits in CA

1) All citrus

2) Application timing for 7.5 lb would be primarily for scales during the June-August window. Valencias are harvested during this period and those growers would like avoid using malathion until after harvest.

Other varieties would be harvesting much later in the season (Oct-following April). Multiple applications would be extremely rare.

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From: <u>Thomas Moriarty</u> Sent: Thursday, June 15, 2006 12:26 PM To: Grafton-Cardwell, Beth Subject: malathion use on citrus fruits in CA

Beth

Thank you for the comment you put together on malathion use on citrus in CA. I have just a few questions.

(1) the 7.5 lb ai/A request, is that for all citrus (grapefruit, kumquat, lemon, lime, oranges, tangerines, and tangelos)?

(2) what is the application timing of this single 7.5 lb application (time of year and timing with respect to harvest dates)? The proposed REI that you saw, (5 days) is going to be revised, and likely be smaller than 5 days. However there is currently a 7 day PHI based upon 6.25 lb ai/A at 3 applications and 30 day retreatement interval, and I need to determine if/how a single application will or will not change the current PHI.

Feel free to call me if you'd like. I can be reached at 703.305.5035.

Thanks for your help, Tom Moriarty OPP