

Kill the Bug Recycle the Jug



Another year of "Kill the Bug, Recycle the Jug" has passed and thanks to your continued support we have more than doubled our efforts to collect recyclable pesticide containers. This year we have collected close to 60,000 pounds of plastic from over 130 growers throughout Sutter, Yuba and Butte Counties.

We will start again in April 2010 and will have five locations throughout the county. We look forward to providing our growers with an alternative to disposing of their clean, triple-rinsed pesticide containers.

*THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR
CONTINUING SUPPORT!!*

~ Jan Kendel



Dormant Spray Regulation Overview

As winter approaches, you may decide to use a dormant spray in your orchard this year.

Regulations regarding dormant sprays applications were adopted in 2006 and have several requirements that must be met prior to starting any application. These requirements include:

- No applications made within 48 hours of a rain event or if your field is saturated with water.
- A recommendation from your Pest Control Advisor
- Do not apply within 100 feet of a sensitive aquatic site (ditches, canals, etc.)
- Wind speed must be between 3-10 mph

For a complete list of requirements or if you have questions please contact our office or your advisor.

Protecting the Bees

As the plants start to bloom and insecticide spraying continues, please remember to notify any surrounding beekeepers of the application. Permit conditions require a 48-hour prior notification to beekeepers with bees located within one mile of the application site when applying pesticides harmful to bees, over "blooming plants", including cover crops. Please remember, dormant sprays containing both restricted and non-restricted materials injurious to bees cannot be applied after **January 31st** without authorization from the Agricultural Commissioner. Refer to the pesticide label, under **Environmental Hazards**, in order to determine if you need to notify beekeepers. If the phrase "*do not apply this product or allow it to drift to blooming crops or weeds if bees are visiting the treatment area*" or "*This pesticide is highly toxic to bees exposed to direct treatment or to residues on blooming crops or weeds,*" you must contact beekeeper prior to spraying.

If you do not know the beekeeper or can not find a phone number on the hive, please contact our office with your orchard location and we will try to provide that information to you.



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Pesticide Use Enforcement Newsletter

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