

LEONARD BEND FARM

AT PECAN PLANTATION

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To: Pecan Plantation Owners Association 8650 Westover Court Granbury, TX. 76049

Re: Pecan Orchard Spray Program

To Whom It May Concern,

In an effort to improve communications between the owners of the pecan orchard and the members of Pecan Plantation concerning the treatment practices within the orchard, I offer the following. Treatment of the pecan trees in the orchard is paramount in the commercial production of pecans. The reasons for treatments are fertilization, pest control, fungal disease control, and the overall health of the trees and quality of production.

As the population in Pecan Plantation increases there is also an increased awareness of spray practices in the orchard, especially with the large air-blast sprayers used to spray the entire canopy of the pecan tree. Every year beginning in the middle of April after bud break until the middle of September is the spray season in the orchard. The number of times the orchard is sprayed will depend on the size of the crop, pressure from damaging insects, pressure from diseases both of the nut and the leaves, and the nutritional needs of the trees. Any part of the orchard may be sprayed as few as 3 times or as many as 8 times per year.

The purpose of this letter is to notify the property owners in Pecan Plantation that spraying in the orchard will occur on an annual basis from the middle of April until the middle of September each year so long as the orchard is commercially operated. Notification as to the exact or general location of daily spraying is not feasible as the sprayers often change locations within the orchard during the day for any of the following reasons:

- 1. Wind direction
- 2. Ground moisture conditions either from rain or irrigation
- The same spray treatment is not always the same throughout the Orchard
- 4. Finish one area and relocate to another area

The owner's of the pecan orchard provide to the Owners Association a list of chemicals and fertilizers along with the Manufacturing Labels and Material Safety Data Sheets used for spraying the orchard. This information should be available through the Owners Association Management office. A list of the same information is also available at the owners office located at 7900 Monticello Dr.

As owners of the pecan orchard, we intend to continue to operate the orchard as a commercial agricultural operation. We intend to operate in a manner consistent with the Laws of the State of Texas and the Texas Department of Agriculture.

Sincerery,

Benjamin L. Anthony