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ORCHARD NOTES

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NEW PUBLICATIONS

"Seasonal Guide to Environmentally Responsible Pest Management Practices in Peaches and Nectarines". UCANR Publication 21625. This publication was funded through a grant provided by Region 9 EPA and the California Department of Pesticide Regulation to IPM Entomologist Walt Bentley. It summarizes a three year study to develop feasible pest management strategies to reduce surface water contamination with pesticides, to provide a safer working environment for growers and farm workers, and to reduce the use of volatile compounds.

Additional copies can be obtained from our office for free while supplies last.

"Cover Crops for Walnut Orchards". UCANR Publication 21627. This publication is a comprehensive guide to planting and maintaining cover crops in walnut orchards. Much of the information is also of value to other tree crop growers. A "how to" guide, it includes several color pictures, suggested cover crop mixes for walnuts, and costs. Funding for this project was provided by the Governor's Buy California Initiative, the California Department of Food and Agriculture, and the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

We have a limited supply in our office that are free on a first come, first served basis.

SABBATICAL LEAVE

I continue to be on sabbatical leave until June 1, 2007. At this point in my leave, I am preparing to do my walnut crown gall field survey this fall and crown gall research project next winter/spring and am currently writing publications.

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