## IPM-CPR: Integrating BMSB Management into Tree Fruit IPM



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### Why is BMSB such a severe pest?

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### **BMSB Management in Peach**

- Since 2010 growers have relied on season-long weekly insecticide applications
- Beginning in 2012 we recommended not starting management until ~ 266 DD
- Chemical control relies primarily on pyrethroids and neonicotinoids
  - Secondary pest outbreaks
- Disruption of IPM programs



## How can we bring IPM back to tree fruit management?

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### **IPM-Crop Perimeter Restructuring**

- BMSB is a perimeter driven pest
  - Border concentrated pesticide application has worked for other pests
  - Can we use traditional IPM tactics to help manage this pest?
- IPM-CPR vs. grower standard insecticide application for key pest management in peach orchards
  - Objectives:
    - Efficacy for peach management
    - Impact on natural enemies







- Standard: whole block or ARM sprays
- IPM-CPR: perimeter + first full row

+ Ground cover management+ Mating disruption for OFM

- Weekly insecticide applications beginning late-May (140-266 DD<sub>57</sub>)
- Visual and trap based monitoring
- Harvest sample for injury assessment



# Pyramid traps may be more efficient monitoring tools than visual sampling



# Pyramid traps are not necessarily more effective in peaches







## Generally more damage in standard blocks (2014)





# Similar trend during 3 years of testing





## Looks promising in apples (2014)





# Fewer wooly apple aphid colonies in IPM-CPR orchards (2014)





## How does IPM-CPR impact natural enemies?



## More natural enemies found on sticky cards in IPM-CPR orchards



#### How about the cost?

#### **Costs of IPM-CPR**

Year	Farm	Cost (\$US ha <sup>-1</sup> )			
		Border <sup>a</sup>	IPM-CPR <sup>b</sup>	ARM <sup>a</sup>	Solida
2012	1	54.22	182.18	118.39	
	2	104.18	232.14	191.52	383.03
	3	65.65	193.61	149.20	
2013	1	59.22	229.18	129.29	t
	2	190.56	360.53	350.29	700.59
	4	102.86	272.82	168.06	
	1b	79.39	249.35	129.29	
	4b	49.70	219.67	159.31	
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### **Conclusions thus far...**

- IPM-CPR reduces insecticide use by up to 75%
- Pest control and fruit damage at levels equal to current management recommendations
- Promising data in apples as well
- May reduce negative impact on natural enemies
  - Important for secondary pests?



#### Next steps...

- Further test IPM-CPR in apples
- Expand IPM-CPR to other BMSB infested regions
- How large of orchard blocks is IPM-CPR effective?
- Can a BMSB threshold be incorporated for management initiation?



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# **Questions?**

