

### **EASTERN IDAHO**

# PEST ALERT

BANNOCK, BINGHAM, BONNEVILLE, CASSIA, FREMONT, JEFFERSON, AND MADISON COUNTIES

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### **Powdery Mildew in Cucurbits**

By Ron Patterson, Extension Educator

We had quite a bout with powdery mildew this spring as growing conditions were just right. Now that it is quite warm at night and humidity is quite low the powdery mildew pressure has dropped off. But it will come back with a vengeance this fall as temperatures start to cool again.

#### Prevention

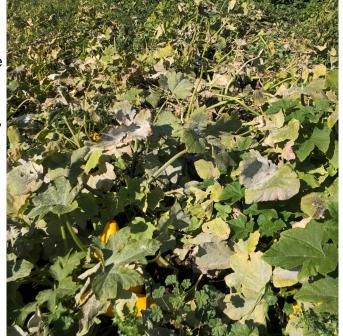
Practices that reduce powdery mildew infection include:

Select powdery mildew resistant cultivars (a little late for this now)

Reduce canopy humidity—here is a video on a pruning practice that will help reduce canopy humidity <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yzs-VEtllx0">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yzs-VEtllx0</a>

Avoid high nitrogen fertilization in late summer/fall Avoid overhead watering

Remove and destroy infected plant material—if it is composted the temperature needs to be around 160F to reduce survival of the overwintering bodies



Pictures: Lena Allen

#### Control

Sometime application of a fungicide may be necessary.

Be sure powdery mildew is listed on the label Check the label for application instructions and frequency

Observe the pre-harvest interval as indicated on the label

The pre-harvest interval may be several days. Harvest the fruit heavily to give yourself time to have safe produce again.





# **Fall Crops**

By Ron Patterson, Extension Educator

Fall is a great time to give your garden a second wind. If you think about those plants you try to get producing before the summer heat, those plats will do well, even better, in the fall than the spring.

To be successful with fall crops you need to e aware of when is the latest you can plant for a reasonable chance of success. Depending on where you live in eastern Idaho you could be anywhere from 4 to 10 weeks from your average first frost. Johnny's Selected Seeds has a pretty cool tool on this webpage: <a href="https://www.johnnyseeds.com/growers-library/methods-tools-supplies/market-gardening/succession-planting-interval-chart-vegetables.html">https://www.johnnyseeds.com/growers-library/methods-tools-supplies/market-gardening/succession-planting-interval-chart-vegetables.html</a>

When I first went through it I was a little confused with their terminology. Here is a table based on their information. A row cover can be used to extend the fall season 2-4 weeks beyond the first frost date,

except for cucubmbers.





Crop	Succession planting in- terval	Latest time to plant without protection (weeks before first frost)	Production notes
Baby leaf greens	7 days	4	Use a row cover to protect seedlings
Radishes	7 days	4	Use a row cover to protect seedlings
Spinach	7 days	2	Use a row cover to protect seedlings
Arugula	14 days	4	Use a row cover to protect seedlings
Turnips	14 days	6	Use a row cover to protect seedlings
Cucumbers (short season)	21 days	6	Use a row cover to protect seedlings

### **Codling Moth:**

#### Conventional production options

High fruit damage in past years:

- o Apply the first application for either Option A (insecticide) or Option B (oil) at the listed date.
- o For Option A, repeat the insecticide spray 14 days later, for a total of 2 applications in the first generation.
- o For Option B, apply the insecticide spray at the listed date once.
- o When the "start date" for the 2nd generation is provided, spray every 10-18 days until Sept. 15.
- Pick a different product to use for each generation.

Low fruit damage in past years:

- o Apply the first application for either Option A (insecticide) or Option B (oil) at the listed date.
- o For Option A, do not spray again.
- o For Option B, apply insecticide at the listed date.
- Wait until the "start date" for the 2nd generation is provided, and spray on that date, and repeat 14 days later, for a total of 2 sprays.
- o Do the same for the 3rd generation.

Pick a different product to use for each generation.

Organic production options (other than bagging)

High fruit damage in past years:

- Apply the first application for either Option A (insecticide) or Option B (oil).
- o For Option A, repeat twice, spaced 7-10 apart, for a total of 3 applications in the first generation.
- o For Option B, apply insecticide at the listed date and re-apply 7-10 days later.
- When the "start date" for the 2nd generation is provided, spray every 7-10 days until Sept. 15.
- o Pick a different product to use for each generation.

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- Pick a different product to use for each generation.





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### Codling moth spray schedule

We have been unsuccessful in trapping codling moth in the Teton Basin. That doesn't mean they aren't there; we just have caught any. I expect there to be very little codling moth damage up there this year, but if you are concerned, sprays can be applied from now until September 15 according to the product label.

This table will provide spray dates for codling moth at the given region. Select the region that has similar climatic conditions to determine when to begin spraying. Remember that actual dates will change as we get closer because of actual temperatures rather than forecasted temperatures. Use a different insecticide for the second generation to reduce the risk of insecticide resistance.







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Spray Timing Table						
First Generation						
	Option A	Option B		Start of Peak	End of Peak	
Location	Apply First Spray	Apply Oil	Apply First In- secticide	Egg Hatch 1 <sup>st</sup> Generation	Hatch 1 <sup>st</sup> Generation	End of 1 <sup>st</sup> Generation
Blackfoot						July 30
Ucon						July 31
Rigby						August 2
Ririe						August 4
Sugar City					-	July 31
St Anthony					-	August 3
Driggs	unknown	unknown	unknown	unknown	unknown	unknown

Second Generation					
Location	Start of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Generation hatch	Start of Peak Egg Hatch 2 <sup>nd</sup> Generation	End of Peak Hatch 2 <sup>nd</sup> Gen- eration	End of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Generation	
Burley	July 28	August 8	August 25	unknown	
Pocatello Airport	July 28	August 8	August 27	unknown	
Pocatello East Side		July 29	August 12	August 31	
Fort Hall	July 29	August 11	August 31	unknown	
Blackfoot	August 7	August 21	unknown	unknown	
South/East Idaho Falls	August 2	August 16	unknown	unknown	
Idaho Falls Airport	August 1	August 15	unknown	unknown	
Ucon	August 9	August 23	unknown	unknown	
Rigby	August 16	unknown	unknown	unknown	
Ririe	August 17	unknown	unknown	unknown	
Rexburg	July 31	August 14	unknown	unknown	
Sugar City	August 11	August 27	unknown	unknown	
St Anthony	August 14	unknown	unknown	unknown	
Driggs	unknown	unknown	unknown	unknown	



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Ingredient	Efficacy	Residual length	Comments				
		(days)					
	Conventional						
Carbaryl (old Sevin prod-	Good	14					
Gamma-cyhalothrin (Spectracide Triazicide)	Good to Ex- cellent	14 – 17	Last application at least 21 days prior to harvest				
Malathion (Bonide Malathion, Hi Yield Malathion)	Good	5 – 7	Max 2 applications; some products are pears only				
Zeta cypermethrin (Garden Tech Sevin)	Good to Ex- cellent	14 – 17	Last application at least 14 days prior to harvest				
Organic							
Azadirachtin (Safer Bi- oNeem)	Fair to Good	7 – 10					
Codling moth virus (Cyd-X)	Good (if populations	7	Works best when used at beginning of generation				
	low)						
Kaolin clay (Surround)	Fair	7	Produces protective barrier				
Oil (All Seasons Oil, EcoSmart, Neem)	Fair	3	Recommended for the first application of the generation only				
Pyrethrin (Ortho Fruit Spray, Fertilome Fruit Tree Spray, Safer End All	Good	3 – 5					
Spinosad Monterey/ Fertilome Spinosad	Good	7 – 10	Max 6 applications				





# Fire Blight

At this point, prune out any new fire blight strikes as they happen. Don't wait until the end of the season or winter/spring pruning. Remember to disinfect your tools between each cut.

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#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**AUGUST 9 NO GARDEN TIPS CLASS!!** 

**AUGUST 8-12 BONNEVILLE COUNTY FAIR** 

**AUGUST 23 IDAHO HOME GARDEN TIPS** 

CONSERVING WATER IN THE LANDSCAPE

TOM JACOBSEN, EXTENSION EDUCATOR

7:30 PM PLANT TALK

**SEPTEMBER 13 IDAHO HOME GARDEN TIPS** 

**TENDER SUMMER BULBS** 

**SEPTEMBER 27 IDAHO HOME GARDEN TIPS** 

**FALL LAWN CARE** 

RON PATTERSON, EXTENSION EDUCATOR

7:30 PM PLANT TALK

**OCTOBER 11 IDAHO HOME GARDEN TIPS** 

**DIVIDING PERENNIALS** 

**OCTOBER 25 IDAHO HOME GARDEN TIPS** 

WINTER PROTECTIONS OF ROSES, GRAPES, CANE BERRIES ETC.

7:30 PM PLANT TALK



PHOTO OF THE WEEK: Photo credit: Lena Allen

### **PHOTO OF THE WEEK:**

Imagine my surprise when I popped the hood this week to check my engine and found this little guy in there! This is a catface spider and one of your best friends in the garden. They are vicious killers of pest insects and don't harm humans. If you see one of these, relocate it to a safe spot where it can continue working hard for you and your garden!!

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