# Effects of Conditional Waiver on Prune Production

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## **Attributes**

- Permanent crop productive for 20-30 years
- In California 67,000 acres bearing; 7,000 non-bearing
- Tehama County 8,561 bearing (\$8,180,300)
- Best Management Practices are available
- Not a spray intensive crop

# Risk to Water Quality

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- Primarily Dormant Sprays
- Pre-Dormant (November) sprays are an option
- Fungicides at early to full bloom (Brown Rot and Scab)
- Pre-emergence herbicides
- Nutrients (Nitrogen, Potassium and Zinc)

## **Prune Orchard Monitoring Calendar**

Pest:	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
San Jose Scale												
European Fruit Lecanium												
Aphid Eggs												
PTB Traps												
PTB Fruit Sampling												
OBLR Traps												
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Leaf Curl Plum Aphid												
Mealy Plum Aphid												
Rust												
Spider Mites												
Leaf Tissue Analysis												
Irrigation Scheduling												
Well Water N Analysis												

<sup>\*</sup>Darkened areas are when activity occurs. Refer to the decision guide for specific monitoring dates.













