

“INTEGRATED PRUNE FARMING PRACTICES DECISION GUIDE”

3rd edition available

In response to environmental and regulatory constraints, the Integrated Prune Farming Practices (IPFP) program has developed monitoring techniques and alternatives to a considerable number of traditional pest control, irrigation, and fertilization practices. These techniques and alternatives have been included into a third edition of the Integrated Prune Farming Practices Decision Guide, a comprehensive publication now available to dried plum growers and allied industry members. **New sections** in this third edition include: Mitigating Environmental Concerns Associated with Dormant Sprays, Orchard Floor Management and a Dried Plum Cover Crop Selection Guide. **Revisions** in the third edition are in the: title page, table of contents, peach twig borer (PTB) and oblique banded leaf roller (OBLR) section, dormant treatment guide section, and the Nitrogen budget section.

The guide is available at many local U.C. Cooperative Extension offices for \$32.00 + tax. In addition to the guidelines, it also includes pest identification cards for field use and a Windows compatible computer data base (with tutorial) to store and organize field monitoring data, aid in various orchard management decisions, and in report pesticide.

Note

For those growers and allied industry members who currently have the “IPFP Decision Guide” 2nd edition, these new and revised sections are free **of charge** to bring the decision guide up-to-date. The sections can be obtained at the Butte, Glenn, Sutter/Yuba, Tehama, Tulare, and Yolo U.C. Cooperative Extension offices by simply asking for copies of the new sections for the “Integrated Prune Farming Practices Decision Guide”. If there is any problem obtaining these please contact Bill Olson at (530) 589-1844.

For additional information on the IPFP program, visit http://agresearch.nu/ipfp_wsrld.htm or contact Gary Obenauf at (559) 449-9035.