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Last week 'Potato Update' was the last one of the season. I hope you found them useful. If you have any comments and recommendations to improve this newsletter please email us at silvia.rondon@oregonstate.edu.

One last word about Potato tuberworms

This season has seen very high potato tuberworm (PTW) pressure in many areas. Tuberworm distribution can be dispersed and we are encouraging to monitor PTW by inspecting plants and deploying pheromone traps, especially if you are not harvesting your potatoes right away.

Insecticide applications beginning 4-6 weeks before vine kill or green vine harvest have been shown to reduce PTW numbers in tubers. The most important time to apply insecticide to control PTW is just prior to desiccation. Please, don't forget to check the pre-harvest interval (PHI) before applying insecticides near the time of harvest. READ LABELS !!!!! USE DIFFERENT MODE OF ACTIONS!!!!

More information here

http://www.potatoes.wsu.edu/survey/2010/pubs/Potato%20Tuberworm%20in%20the%20PNW.pdf

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