

ALMOND PRODUCTION - CALENDAR OF OPERATIONS IN THE SACRAMENTO VALLEY

This calendar lists typical timings of practices conducted in an almond orchard.

Specific needs determine if the practice is necessary.

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Farm Operation	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Pruning and brush disposal	X						X				X	X
Dormant season insect management	X											
Winter sanitation for insect control	X											
Pre-emergence weed control	X											X
Frost Protection		X	X	X								
Pollination (honey bees)		X	X									
Shot hole disease management			X	X								
Brown rot disease management		X										
Scab disease management				X	X							
Anthracnose disease management		X	X	X	X							
Rust & Alternaria management					X	X	X	X				
Irrigation				X	X	X	X	X		X		
Leaf analysis for nutrient management							X					
Nitrogen fertilizer application			X				X					
Vertebrate pest management	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			X	X	X
In-season insect management (w/o dormant):												
Navel orangeworm							X					
Peach twig borer		X			X		X					
San Jose scale				X								
Oriental fruit moth												
Ants						X	X					
Web spinning mites						X	X					
Post-emergence herbicides	X			X	X		X					
Harvest								X	X			