Spotted Wing Drosophila (SWD) Insecticide Cost-Share

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SWD adults on blueberries

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SWD Insecticide Cost-Share

- Reimburse 50% of insecticide cost
- Up to $750 per farmer
- 2015 and 2016 seasons
- Small fruit crops targeted
  - Blackberries, raspberries, blueberries, elderberries, late-season strawberries

Requirements

- Grow susceptible fruit for sale
  - Bearing age
- Training to id SWD

SWD Overview and Id by Penn State Extension

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  - Fruit sampling
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Cost-Share Insecticide Options

- Product registered for sale in Missouri?
- Labeled for crop site?
  - Specific berry crops
  - Bush berries
  - Cane berries
  - Low-growing berries
- List of products
Requirements
- Grow susceptible fruit for sale
- Training to id SWD
- Monitor for SWD
- Proof-of-purchase price
- Pesticide applicator’s license

Pesticide Applicator License
- Safety education
- Need if selling ag products (berries, vegetables, flowers, etc.)
- Private Applicator License common — Local Extension office
- Can train staff in WPS (Worker Protection Standards) on safe practices
- Can purchase RU products

SWD Insecticide Cost-Share
- Sell susceptible fruits
- Recognize SWD
- Monitor for SWD
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- Pesticide applicator’s license
- 50% cost-share
- Up to $750 per grower

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