



Fresno County Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer

Melissa Cregan, Agricultural Commissioner
Sealer of Weights and Measures

NEWS RELEASE

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... Petal Fall Declared in District 3...

To comply with the public notice provisions of Section 6984 of the California Code of Regulations pertaining to the citrus/bee protection area, Fresno County Agricultural Commissioner, Melissa Cregan announced today that she is officially declaring that 75 percent petal fall on the north side of citrus trees indicating the **end of the citrus bloom period for citrus growing will begin at 1:00 a.m., Monday morning, May 8, 2023 in District 3.**

The declaration of Petal Fall DOES NOT supersede product labeling. All applicators are reminded that they must always read and follow the pesticide product labeling regarding toxicity to bees.

Citrus growers are reminded that applications of Carbaryl are prohibited until complete petal fall.

Anyone having questions regarding the bloom period or the citrus/bee regulations should phone the Supervising Agricultural/Standards Specialist, Sam Sohal (Monday-Friday, 8AM-5PM) at (559)600-7319.

