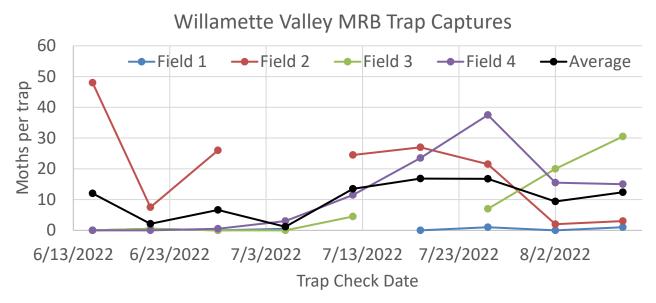
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Average MRB trap counts increased this week to an average of 12 moths per trap. On Average, the highest trap capture numbers occurred the same week as the model prediction for peak MRB moth catch, peak captures occurred earlier or later in individual fields. Traps were removed from fields this week in preparation for harvest.

Plan to scout for MRB larvae in the soil in late August or early September. Fall chemical treatments need to be applied before larvae form their over wintering cocoons or hibernacula. According to the model 90% moth catch occurred on August 9, and 5% hibernaculum formation is expected on September 7.

No loopers or cutworms were caught in sweep nets this week. Based on the model peak pupation occurred on August 8. GDD totals are two days ahead of the 30 year average.

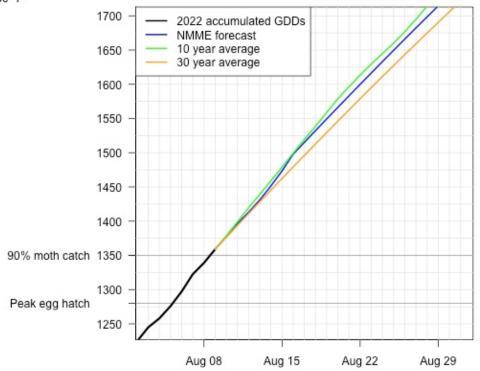


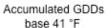




Accumulated GDDs base 50 °F

Mint Root Borer Development at Corvallis Weather Station





Variegated Cutworm Development at Corvallis Weather Station

