

July 5, 2023

Mint Pest Alert Newsletter

-Central Oregon

Peak MRB moth catch is expected tomorrow, July 6 in the madras area, and July 12 in the Powell Butte area. Similar to the last three weeks, no MRB were caught in the traps this week, and no VC or loopers were caught in sweep net samples.

MRB numbers in traps have been low so far this season, so treatment may not be warranted in all fields. Consider if the field has a history of MRB populations, and whether MRB were found during your own scouting efforts.

Between peak moth catch and peak egg-laying (expected on July 16), is likely the best time to apply Vantacor, based on OSU research. Vantacor has a long residual time and it is most effective against eggs and young larvae. Spraying during this window is most likely to control the majority of MRB, VC and looper eggs and larvae.

GDD accumulation this year is running about 9 - 13 days ahead of the 30 year average.



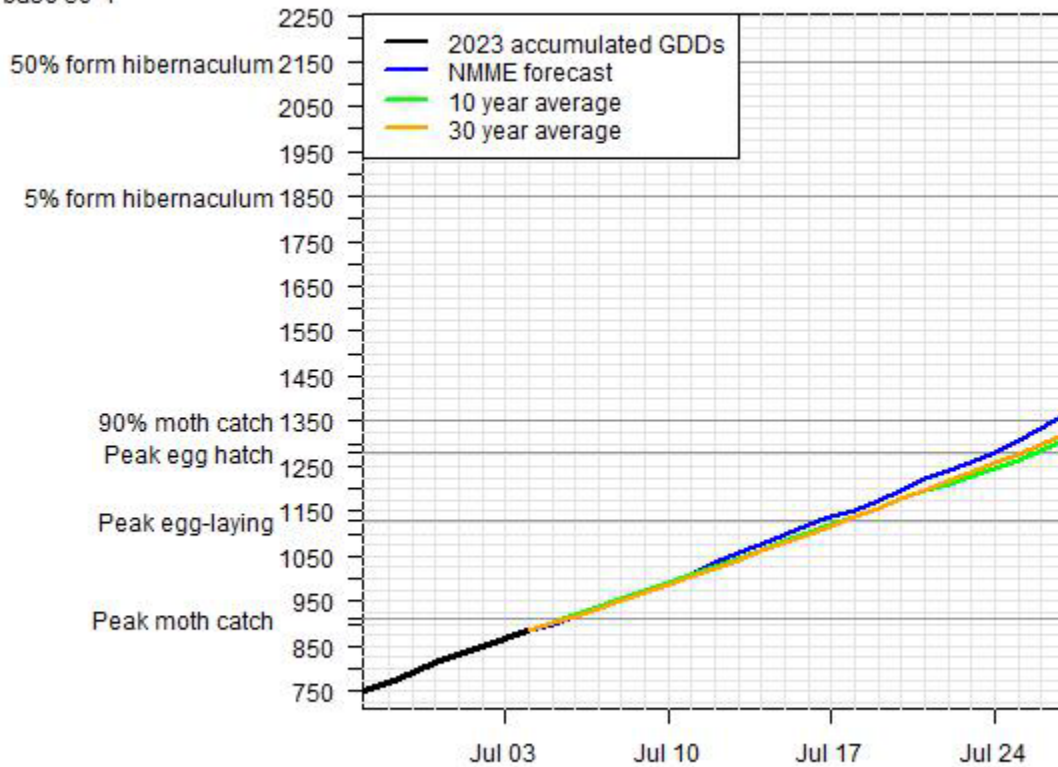
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Mint Root Borer Development at Madras Weather Station

Accumulated GDDs
base 50 °F



Variegated Cutworm Development at Madras Weather Station

Accumulated GDDs
base 41 °F

