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#### **Blueberry Chill Model: Accumulated Units**

Station: JACK - Sandhills Research Station Date of first observation: 1985-08-29

Station type: ECONET - Tower <u>what is this?</u> <u>Maintenance Logs</u>

City, State: Jackson Springs, NC County: Montgomery County

Latitude: 35.18782° Longitude: -79.68437°

Elevation: 625 feet above sea level

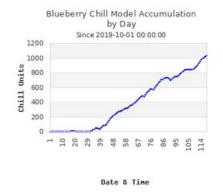
Climate division:NC05 - Southern Piedmont

River basin:Upper Pee Dee

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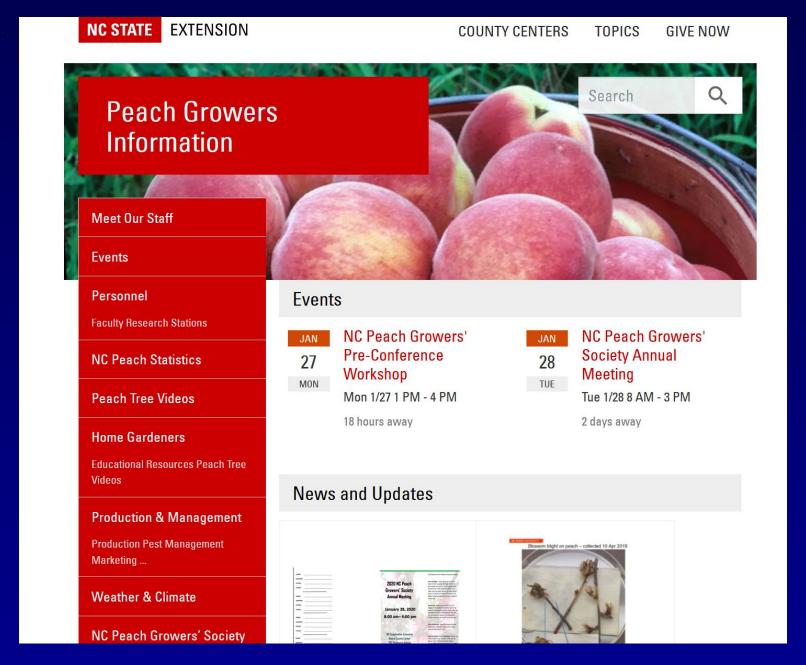


#### Chill model count = 1039 First non-zero value was 2019-11-01 00:00:00



1/7/2020	798.5	
1/8/2020	814.5	
1/9/2020	834.5	
1/10/2020	845	
1/11/2020	845	
1/12/2020	845	
1/13/2020	845	
1/14/2020	845	
1/15/2020	845	
1/16/2020	847	
1/17/2020	869.5	
1/18/2020	889	
1/19/2020	904.5	
1/20/2020	928.5	
1/21/2020	952.5	
1/22/2020	976	
1/23/2020	998	
1/24/2020	1009.5	
1/25/2020	1024.5	

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# Successful Tree and Orchard Establishment



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Pre-plant - Take sample as deep as possible and break into 2 subsamples for analysis.







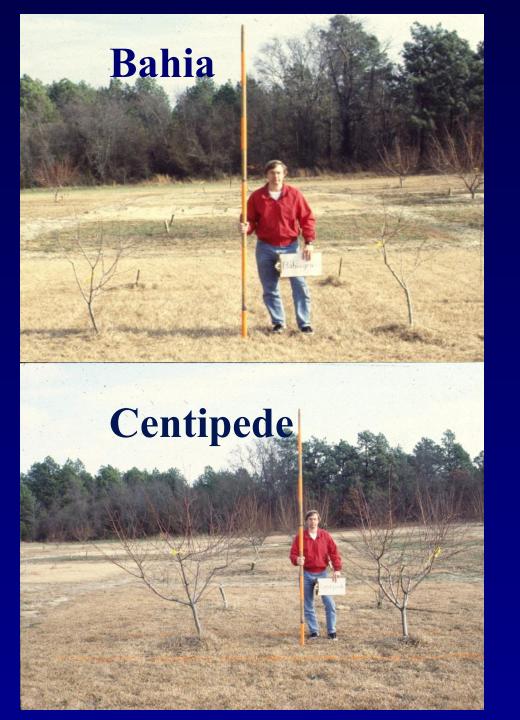








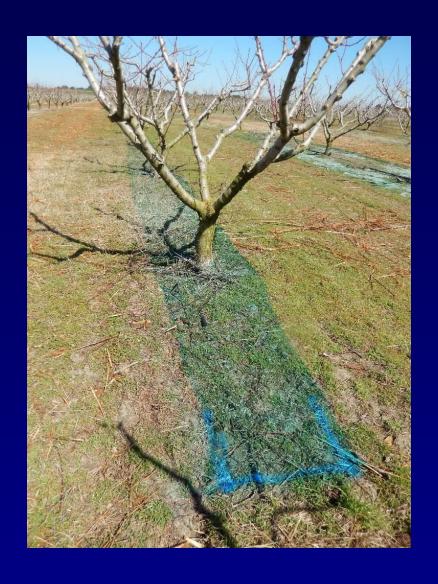






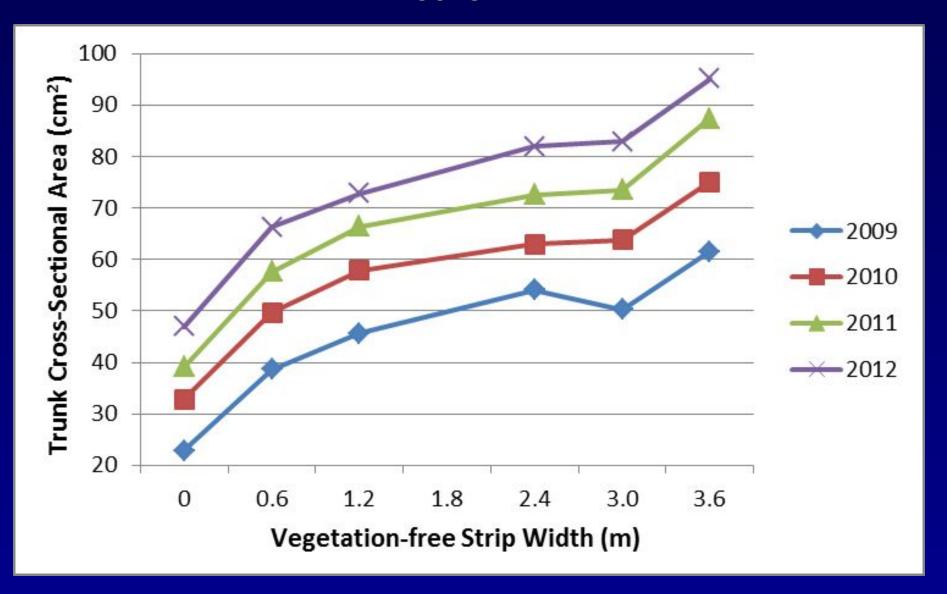




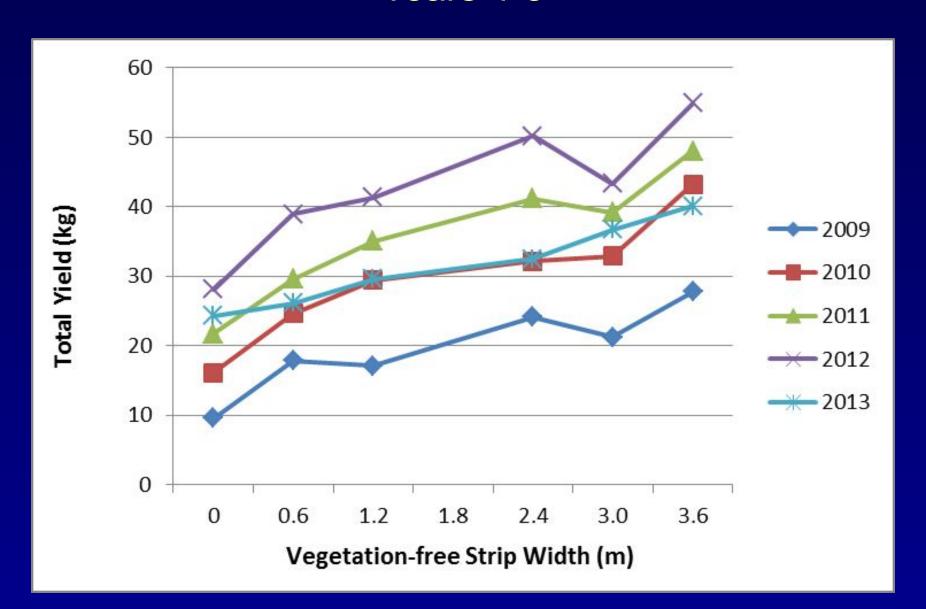




#### Effect of Vegetation-free Strip Width on TCSA Years 4-7



# Effect of Vegetation-free Strip Width on Yield Years 4-8



# Peach Rootstocks

All peaches are budded or grafted to minimize PTSL

- ☐ Lovell
- Halford
- ☐ Guardian Especially on sandy/light soils where nematodes are a potential problem.
- □ MP-29- ??
- ☐ Sharpe ????

#### 2009 NC-140 Peach Rootstock Trial

- DEvaluated 18 rootstocks with 'Redhaven' as the cultivar
- □Soil was fumigated with Telone II at 30 gals/acre on a 12 ft strip
- Trees planted at 16' x 20 ' on 3/10/2009
- ☐Micro-sprinkler irrigation installed April, 2010
- □Dan 2001 Micro-sprinkler (23 ft diameter, 18.5 gals/hr)



Viking – Peach x Almond x Flowering Plum, CA

Atlas – Peach x Almond x Flowering Plum, CA

Bright's Hybrid 5 – Almond x Peach, CA

Mirobac - Myrobolan Plum x Almond, Spain

Guardian® (3-17-7) – Peach, USDA Byron, GA and Clemson University, SC

Lovell – Peach, 1882 CA drying peach

KV010123 – Peach, USDA, Kearneysville, WV

KV010127 - Peach, USDA, Kearneysville, WV

Krymsk®86 (Kuban 86) – Myrobolan Plum x Peach, Russia

Empyrean®2 (Penta) - European Plum, Italy

Imperial California – European plum, Italy

HBOK 10 – Peach, University of CA

HBOK 32 - Peach, University of CA

Prunus americana selection - American Plum, MN

Fortuna – Plum x Peach, Russia

Krymsk®1 (VVA-1) – Nanking Cherry x Myrobolan Plum, Russia

Controller 5 (K146-43) – Japanese Plum x Peach, CA

#### 2009 NC-140 Peach Rootstock Trial

Bacterial canker has resulted in the death of many trees of several rootstocks. Started with a total of 8 of each:

- ☐ Imperial California
- Controller 5 (K146-43)
- □Empyrean 2 (Penta)
- Mirobac
- □Krymsk 1
- ■Fortuna
- □Krymsk 86
- □Prunus Americana



### 2009 NC-140 Peach Rootstock Trial - 2019

Rootstock	2019 Survival (%)	2019 TCSA (cm <sup>2</sup> )	2019 Yield (lb)	Cumulative Yield (2011-19) (lb)
Atlas	50	220.3 a*	63.9 a	366.4 ab*
Bright's Hybrid 5	64	218.6 a	61.3 a	400.1 a
Controller 5(K146-43)	0			
Empyrean 2(Penta)	0			
Fortuna	0			
Guardian	88	172.2 ab	74.3 a	491.2 a
HBOK 10 (Controller 8)	78	91.5 c	38.4 a	235.7 b
HBOK 32 (Controller 7)	36	94.2 bc	66.6 a	317.9 ab
Imperial California	0			
Krymsk 1 (VVA-1)	0			
Krymsk 86 (Kuban 86)	10			
KVO 10123	100	166.3 ab	63.3 a	382.1 a
KVO 10127	78	174.4 ab	48.3 a	332.9 ab
Lovell	64	206.3 a	36.8 a	423.5 a
Mirobac	0			
Prunus americana	10			
Viking	64	192.7 a	62.2 a	409.6 a
TRT Prob.		≤0.0001	N. S.	≤0.0008

<sup>\*</sup> LSMeans within column with the same letter are not significantly different according to Tukey-Kramer at  $P \le 0.05$ . Large variations in data from tree loss has reduced sensitivity with the Tukey-Kramer mean separation.

#### 2017 Peach Rootstock Planting

Lovell – Peach, 1882 CA drying peach Guardian® (3-17-7) – Peach, USDA Byron, GA and Clemson University, SC

HBOK 27 (Controller 6) - Peach, University of CA

HBOK 32 (Controller 7) - Peach, University of CA

HBOK 10 (Controller 8) – Peach, University of CA

Rootpac 20 (Densipac) - Plum tree hybrid (*Prunus besseyi x Prunus cerasifera*), Low vigor, Agromillora Catalana breeding program, Spain Rootpac 40 (Nanopak) – Peach x Almond (P. dulcis x P. persica) x (P. dulcis x P. persica), Controlled vigor, Agromillora Catalana breeding program, Spain

MP-29 - 'Edible Sloe' natural plum hybrid thought to include *Prunus umbellata* x Peach (red-leafed peach rootstock selection), USDA-ARS, Byron, GA

## 2017 Peach Rootstock Planting

- 8 rootstocks with 'Cresthaven' as the scion
- ☐ Soil was fumigated with Telone II at 30 gals/acre on a 12 ft strip on 11/09/2016
- ☐ Trees planted at 6' x 18' on 2/28/2017
- Trees trained to a perpendicular V
- Deer fence installed in November 2017
- Trees overhead irrigated in 2017 and micro-sprinkler irrigation installed February 2018

#### 2017 Peach Rootstock Trial - 2019

Rootstock	2019 Survival (%)	2019 TCSA (cm <sup>2</sup> )	2019 Yield (lb)
Controller #6 (HBOK 27)	90*	15.4 c*	4.0 c
Controller #7 (HBOK 32)	45	3.1 d	0.0 c
Controller #8 (HBOK 10)	80	8.2 d	0.4 c
Guardian	100	36.7 a	15.2 a
Lovell	100	30.5 b	12.3 ab
MP-29	69	20.4 c	6.8 bc
RootPac 20	45	20.3 c	4.4 bc
RootPac 40	50	14.6 c	0.7 c
TRT Prob.		$\leq 0.0001$	≤0.0001

<sup>\*</sup> LSMeans within column with the same letter are not significantly different according to Tukey-Kramer at P≤0.05.















#### 2017 Peach Biochar Planting

**Objective:** To evaluate biochar utilization in peaches, as a model crop, to increase soil nutritional content, increase nutrient holding capacity, reduce nutrient leaching, and minimize replant-related tree death.

#### 4 Biochar Treatments

- 1. Untreated Control
- 2. 5% v/v (incorporated in a 10 ft strip to a depth pf 1 ft)
- 3. 10% v/v (incorporated in a 10 ft strip to a depth pf 1 ft)
- 4. Dynamic = Applied to the drip line annually and lightly incorporated (Year 1 5 lb/tree)
- --Two rootstocks included Guardian and Halford
- --Soil was fumigated with Telone II at 30 gals/acre on a 12 ft strip on 11/09/2016
- --Biochar applied and incorporated on 4/11/2017
- -- Trees planted at 14' x 20' on 4/11/2017
- -- Deer fence installed in November
- -- Trees were overhead irrigated in 2017 and micro-sprinkler irrigation established in Winter

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### 4 Biochar Treatments

- -- Untreated Control
- --5% v/v (10 ft wide and 1 ft deep strip)
- --10% v/v (10 ft wide and 1 ft deep strip)
- -- Dynamic Annually to drip line of the tree
- --Contender is the cultivar with two rootstocks
  - --Halford
  - --Guardian



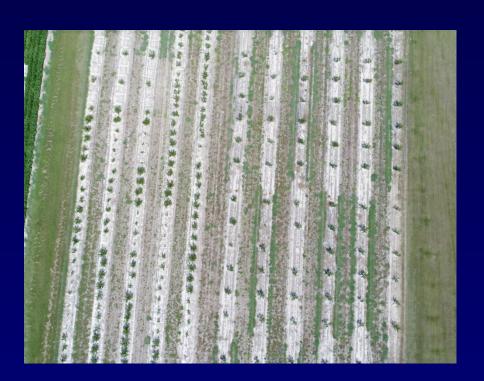






















## Why Summer Prune?

- Reduce dormant pruning costs
- Minimize current season shading
- Maintain fruiting wood close to trunk
- Increase current seasons fruit color
- Optimal tree structure



## Not Summer Pruned

## Summer Pruned







Before Summer Pruning

After Summer Pruning



Before Summer Pruning



Note shade under tree













## Orchard Nutrition and Fertility

- ☐ Fate of nutrients in the orchard
  - Bound by the soil particles
  - Utilized in production of long term portion (i.e. woody framework) of the tree
  - ♦ Utilized in short term or annual portion (i.e. leaves) on the tree
  - Utilized by orchard floor
  - Utilized in fruit production
  - Leached or volatilized
    - Net losses that must be compensated for annually



**Table 7-8.** Estimated annual kilograms per hectare removed of nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium by mature trees.

Tree	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Potassium
Apple Peach	39	10	71
Peach	76	11	96

