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Use Site:	Blueberries // Migrate™

And don't come back!

Brian Cieslar, Agronomist at Curt Maberry Farm (Lynden, Washington) was searching for a solution to the flocks of birds that ravaged the blueberries year after year. The blueberry fields run parallel to a dairy farm with many areas of spilled feed and silage that tends to bring in hundreds of starlings. Brian decided to give Migrate™ a try.

Brian applied approximately 5 gallons of Migrate to a 3 acre area while leaving a small area untreated as a control. He was astonished to note that almost all the flocks left his farm immediately. "The next day 95% of the starlings disappeared and stayed away for a couple weeks. Except for a few stragglers, the majority of the birds just left." Brian reapplied with 5 gallons of Migrate™ on a 2.5 acre parcel with the same excellent results. "The product worked just the way it should have, we couldn't have wished for better results."

Keys to Success:

- 1. Apply before birds establish site as feeding site.*
- 2. Completely cover the fruit for full protection. Brian used Genesis SB-56 surfactant with a Gearmore sprayer.*
- 3. Measure success by reduction in damage, not based on whether birds are still present. In this case, the flock left. The stragglers remained as they were nesting locally*