

METAM SODIUM (OR POTASSIUM) USE DATA

THE INFORMATION WILL BE USED TO REFINE AND REVISE EPA'S RISK ASSESSMENT

ARE YOU A GROWER? Yes ARE YOU A CUSTOM/COMMERCIAL APPLICATOR? No

Please fill out the following questionnaire as completely as possible for a **TYPICAL** season or application.

CROP Pepper, squash, egg plant APPLICATION METHOD drop IRRIGATION METHOD _____
(Please use a separate sheet for each crop or application method)

For a typical application, how many people are involved in mixing, loading, and application? 1

Are mixing, loading, and application usually done by the same individual? yes

What worker protection equipment is commonly used? gloves & apron

How many **days per year** are the individuals doing the mixing, loading, and application handling Metam? 10

How many **hours per day** are these individuals handling Metam? 2

Typical area (acres) treated per day15 Maximum acres treated per day30

Typical application rate (lbs. of Active Ingredient/acre)29.5 lbs/A Maximum application rate29.5 lbs/A

Method of soil surface sealing covered with black plastic

For a typical field, what is the frequency of treatment? 1 time per year

For a typical application, how many hours or days are required for Metam treatment? 4 hours

What is the typical date of treatment? (Late October, early June, etc) early August

How many days are there between Metam application and soil tillage or planting? 25 days

At application, what is the typical soil temperature? 95 What is the typical air temperature? Day90 Night80

What are the primary pests you are controlling with Metam? morning glory, jonason grass, nutgrass & nematodes

Other than Metam, what other pest management strategies do you use? We use Telone EC most of the time for nematodes.

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Please give a detailed description of the Metam application scenarios that may take place on your operation or under your supervision. Include approximate dates and times, number of people involved, types of equipment used. Give a detailed representation of where the people involved are during the operation and for how long. Give this scenario on a representative time line. i.e. applicators arrive at 7:00 AM with two tractors six workers and an applicator supervisor; irrigation equipment on sight was _____; and continue until the application is completed.

One worker fills the application tank from the main storage tank. He then hooks the supply lines to the pump. He first charges the system with water and checks for possible leaks. Once everything is in working order he starts the injection pump and calibrates the system. The system is designed so that if the water supply cuts off, the metam will also cut off. Once application is complete, the line is completely flushed with fresh water. The person that is injecting the metam remains on site to insure proper injection. All of our Metam is applied through drip tape and covered with black plastic.

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