Dovex Fruit Company
Wenatchee, Washington
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**Introduction**
Dovex fruit company established in Wenatchee in 1982 by the DeNadia family. Most of their orchards are located in the heart of the premier Washington State Apple and Pear growing region. They have orchards located in Monitor, Brayland, Chelan Falls, Quincy, George, and Winchester Washington. The main crops they grow here in Washington are Apples, pears, and Cherries, but also a few Apricots and peaches. They not only have orchards here in Washington but also alliances around the globe allowing them to supply their customers with fruit year round.

**Responsibilities**
- Set up weather probes.
- Set up irrigation probes.
- Pruning
- Tree training
- Soil sampling
- Tree tape marking for Codling Moth Traps
- Scouting new planting sight
- Scouting orchard to see how blooming was coming along

**Summary**
- This experience will foster my professional growth because it allows me to do and practice several things that are done within the industry, and also try new technologies that are being introduced into the orchards.
- During this internship I was able to do soil samples for the first time, it was different than just reading about soils on books. I was able to work with different soils.
- I also go to prune and train fruit trees I had already pruned in the past but I also got the opportunity to do some tree training.
- My main career goal is to one day become a field man or a general orchard manager, this experience allowed me to see all the different things that go on within the orchards in order to keep them running. This will one day allow me to become a great field man or general manager.

I would like to give thanks to Dovex Fruit Company for all the support they have given me in the last three years.