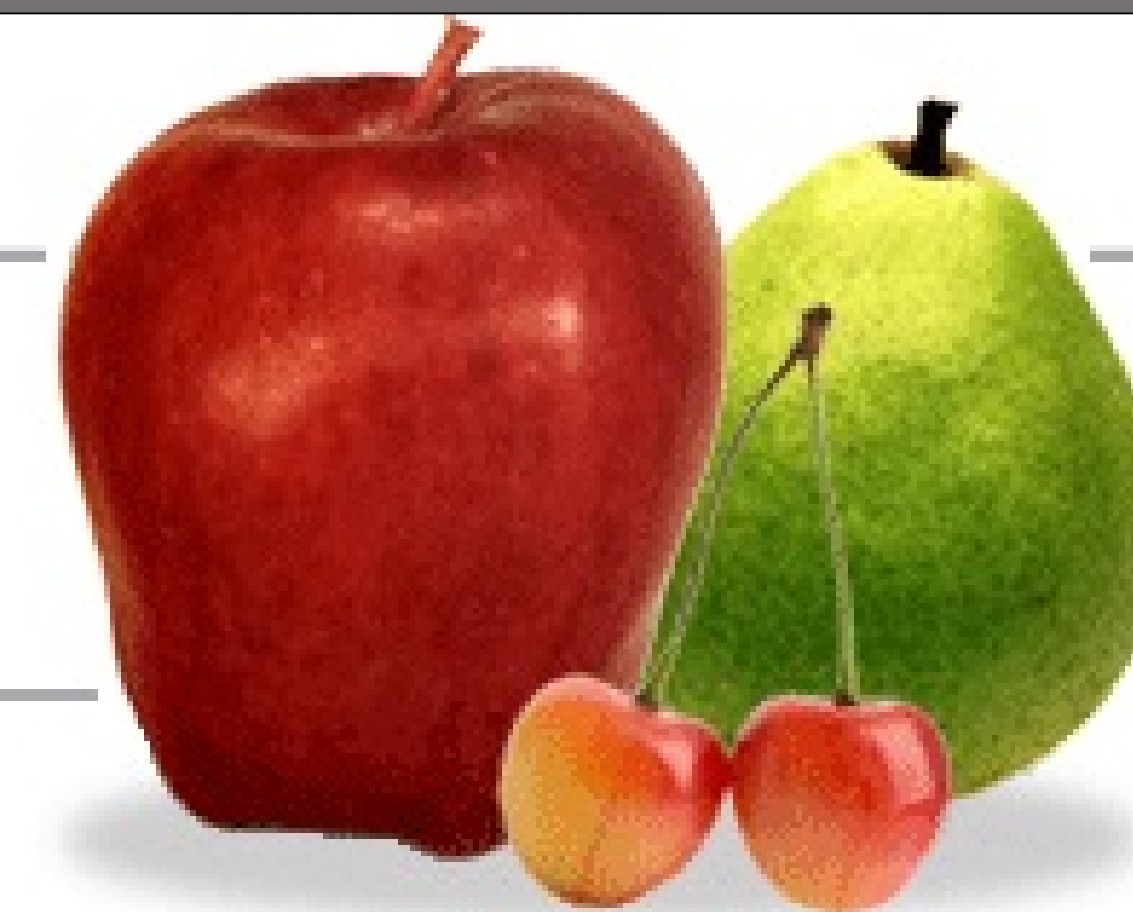


WASHINGTON
FRUIT & PRODUCE CO.



Washington Fruit and Produce
Yakima, Wa
Jacob Haas
Summer 2018

Washington Fruit grows and markets apples, pears and cherries from the growing regions of Central Washington and Northern Oregon. The main fruit packing facility is located in Yakima, Wa.

Duties



Planting the cherries with a large three row planter.



Using a gator to cut and remove blight in an effected Pink Lady orchard.

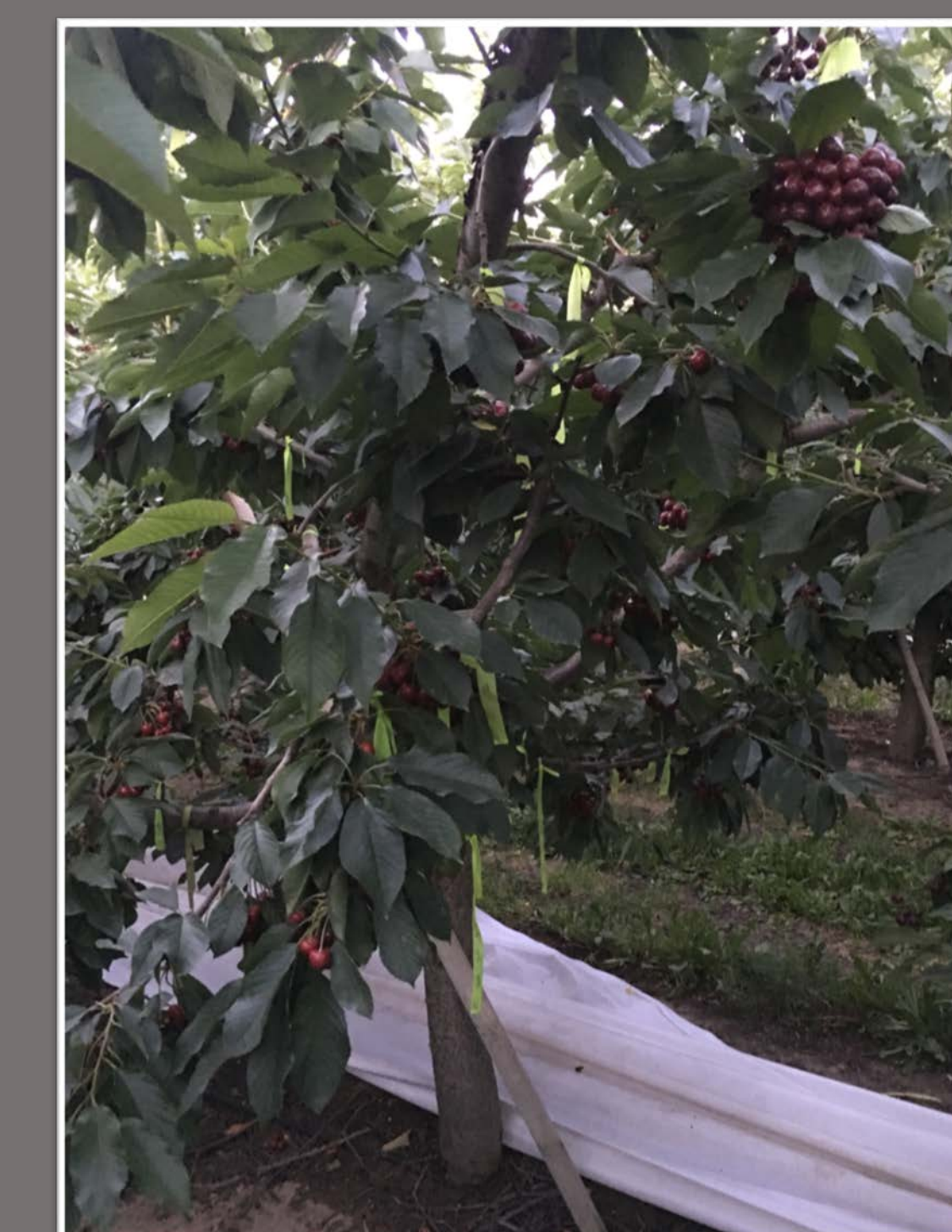


The end-posts and the anchors. You can see the forklift and the workers working in the shadow.



A group of workers picking Skeena cherries.

- Removed Blight from affected trees in Gala, Pink Lady, Granny Smith and Fuji Apple varieties.
 - Planted 25 acres of Cherries (Regina) at our ranch in Sunnyside, Wa.
- Put in all of the metal posts, wire, anchors and end-posts for the new cherry trellis system.
 - Ran a crew of 30 pickers for red cherry harvest.
- I helped research the affects of Extenday on various varieties of red cherries. We looked for changes in size, color, or harvest date (earlier).



Rolled up Extenday below the tree.

Summary

This internship taught me something I have never experienced: corporate farming. It was amazing to see how Washington Fruit is on the leading edge of farming and balancing technology with decision making to produce a quality product. I learned many new things that I had not previously known from my experience growing up on the family farm. My communication skills with the Hispanic workforce drastically improved. It was very handy when I ran a crew of workers. It taught me that being a manager of people and fruit is very tasking, and will greatly prepare me for my future endeavors.