McDougall & Sons Fresh Tree Fruit

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Introduction:

Mcdougall and Sons since its founding in 1976, has become a leading company which grows and packs apples, cherries and pears. McDougall and Sons uses the latest in packing technology, high density orchard systems and sponsors breeding programs to keep up with the high demand of fresh fruit. Some of their new, well-known varieties are Ambrosia, and Envy.

Responsibilities:

Drip and R-10 Irrigation Systems Installed

Irrigations System Being Installed

Geneva-41 Rootstock Planted and will be budded next spring

Summary:

During this internship I learned crucial information and gained valuable experienced of what it takes to develop an orchard. A lot of planning and designing takes place prior to the establishment of an orchard. I learned how to install irrigation systems, something I had never had the chance to do. It gave me hands-on experience which is an important factor to obtain.

Objectives:

- Install Drip System as soon as trees are planted to prevent transplant shock from occurring
- Installed a new Irrigation System as the site is only at its second year of existence
- Plant Rootstock this year to be ready to be budded next year