Overview:
Stemilt Growers, LLC is a family-owned warehouse that grows, packs, and markets, apples, pears, cherries, peaches, nectarines, and apricots. Stemilt has been in operation since 1964 but its company roots trace back to the late 1800’s.

Responsibilities:
• Measure fruit maturity
• Predict harvest date
• Identify pest, viruses, and defects
• Communicate with growers of what I’m seeing in their orchards
• Update warehouse on fruit quality, size, and volume

Summary:
Overall, interning with Stemilt Growers field staff department introduced me to many beneficial skills needed in the tree fruit industry. Communication being one of the most important followed by time management. Communicating with growers and the warehouse in a timely manner is critical especially during cherry harvest. The opportunity Stemilt Growers, LLC gave me has truly contributed to a deeper more detailed understanding of tree fruit and has provided me with amazing industry experience. Thank you Stemilt!