Too Much Nitrogen in your Apples?



What are the problems associated with applying too much nitrogen in Apples?

1. Too much nitrogen makes fruit ripen faster, but delays fruit color development.

So if growers wait to harvest to get enough color, the fruit is over-ripe and will not store well.



2. Too much nitrogen means more growth, more pruning, more work







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3. Too much nitrogen means less taste and poorer storage



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5. Too much nitrogen means problems in creeks and rivers



4. Too much nitrogen means more disease (e.g., bitterpit)



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6. Too much nitrogen means less profit





