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NC-140 2013 PEAR ORCHARD SYSTEMS TRIAL FIELD MEETING

WHEN: Tuesday, June 28, 2022 – 10:00 a.m. to Noon

WHERE: Shadowbrook Farms, 13850 Old River Road, Hopland Map link: <u>http://mapq.st/19iUpFP</u>

2022 is the final year of a 10 year trial comparing 4 training systems, 3 spacings, and 3 commercially-available rootstocks for Bartlett pear. Attendees will view and discuss trees before and after pruning, which is done entirely during the growing season.

Planted: May 1-2, 2013; trees from Willow Drive Nursery, Ephrata, WA Training systems: "V", tall spindle, bi-axis (nursery-budded), 2-leader In-row spacing: 3', 4.5', 6'. Between row spacing: 12' Rootstocks: OHxF 69, OHxF 87, Pyro 2-33

In addition to the above treatments, there are two additional treatments to view:

- 1) Bi axis trees on OHxF 87 rootstock comparing spreading vs. no spreading.
- 2) Completely unpruned trees on both OHxF 69 and OHxF 87 rootstock to compare rootstock effect alone.

HOPE TO SEE MANY OF YOU THERE! Rachel Elkins

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