May 18 update

Fire blight
This morning's updated forecast substantially increased the risk rating from showers forecast for early Monday morning, May 22 (which shows as May 21 on the fire blight tables and charts).

Protective streptomycin application advised for Saturday or Sunday. But keep watching the forecast.

Apple scab
Primary apple scab risk will reach it’s peak with the next soaking rain.

For best effect the streptomycin applied for fire blight should be combined with Regulaids or another adjuvant to increase absorption into flowers. But tankmixing such an adjuvant with captan is not recommended because it can increase risk of phytotoxicity to young foliage and emerging fruitlet tissue. This concern does not apply to other scab fungicides.

If captan is your fungicide, it would be best to make separate applications of strep and captan. If that is not practical, do not combine Regulaid or other penetrant adjuvant with captan.

This is the most important spray of the year. Good spray pattern and enough water per acre for good coverage. Good conditions. Correct rates. It all makes a difference.