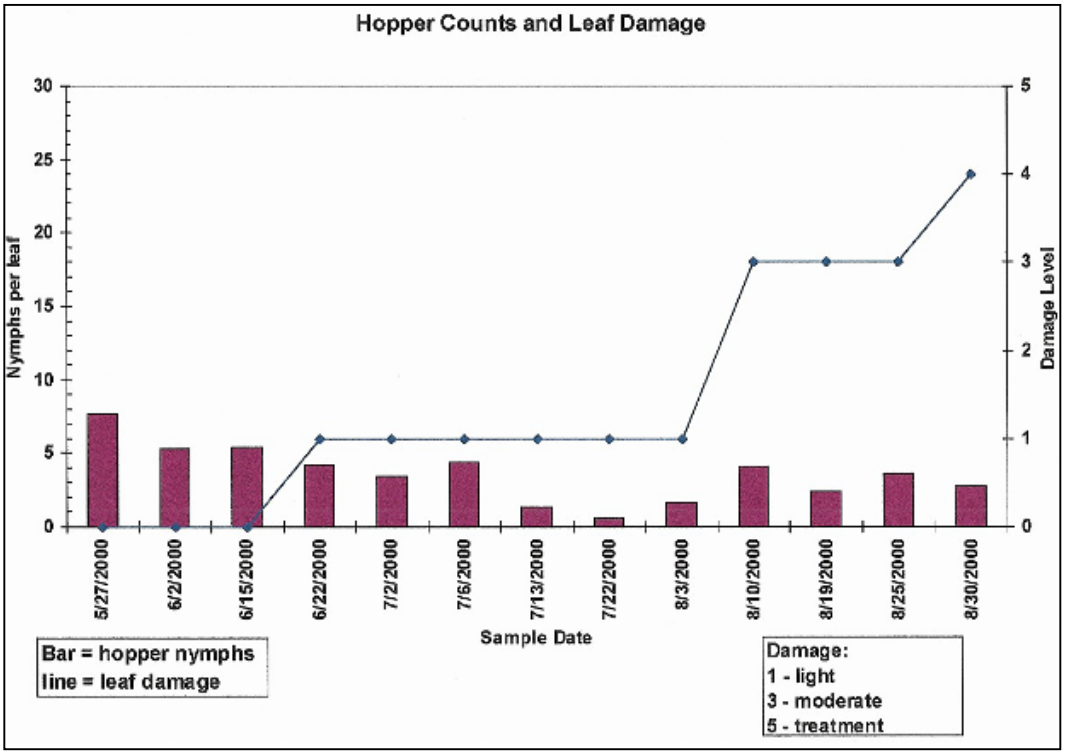
How to Use the IPM Fieldlog Monitoring Reports

Successful IPM programs involve the correct identification of a problem, good monitoring, using the monitoring information to determine when treatments are necessary, and the selection of the most appropriate treatment. On the following page you will find a blank IPM Fieldlog Monitoring Report that can be used to monitor your vineyards for pests and diseases, as well as keeping track of the vines' growth stage and canopy condition. The Report is designed for use with the Sonoma County Grape Growers computer database, the IPM Fieldlog. We invite you to copy the Report to use in vineyard monitoring for the 2003 season and forward the information to the SCGGA office for anonymous inclusion in the IPM Fieldlog. For every appellation with data you will be able to see weekly pest summary graphs (see below) on the SCGGA website. At the time this is going to print we are working on a way to also give growers specific summaries for their own vineyards when they send in data.

To use the Report first make as many copies of it as you have blocks to monitor. Divide each block into permanent monitoring sectors, such as "North and South", or "Hill, Flat and West Edge", whatever makes sense for the main pest(s) of the block. The sectors will be permanent because databases are funny that way, and for your own records it is like comparing apples and oranges if you monitor differently from year to year. You can use the "Notes" section to map the sectors. Fill in "Grower", "Block" and "Sector". Make about 20 copies for each block. You are now ready for weekly monitoring in the 2003 season with the Pest ID Sheets in the IPM Fieldbook to help determine when and how to monitor specific pests.

We will be holding a workshop before the growing season next year to get people on track with this. In you have questions or comments in the meantime, please contact Laura Breyer through the Sonoma County Grape Growers office at 206-0603.



Grape Leafhopper Report from the IPM Fieldlog