

TWIST TIES

Isomate LBAM Plus, "pheromone infused" twist ties are being hung on trees, plants and fences, 250 per acre, 30-40 per property, throughout entire neighborhoods, to be replaced every 3-6 months. While these "pheromones" sound natural, they are not naturally acquired. They are synthetic chemicals designed to imitate natural pheromones. In order for these chemicals to affect moths, they have to drift through the air



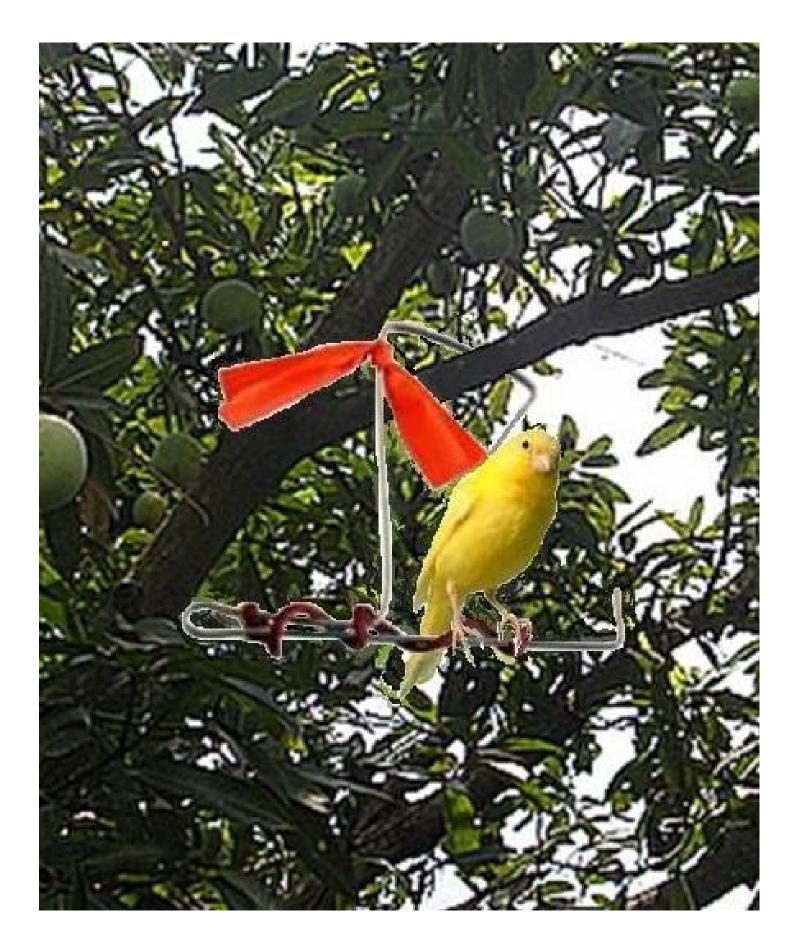
we breathe, so the insects can perceive them. Like all pesticides used in the LBAM program, twist ties contains "inert" ingredients, which are protected from disclosure by trade secret laws. The manufacturer's Material Safety Data Sheet, which is unlikely to tell the whole story, admits it is an eye irritant and "Harmful if absorbed through skin". Many are placed quite low, in easy reach of climbing and curious children and animals, as can be seen in these pictures from a CDFA report.







(Artist depiction of possible contamination from pesticide twist ties of pets and wildlife)



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