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Plastic Mulches in Crop Production Systems

In addition to the 24 high tunnels at Rock Springs, PA 4 additional high tunnels will be constructed in the spring of 2001 there are 10 satellite high tunnel facilities throughout the state and several more planned in 2001.

Special Projects

SolviNix, A bioherbicide for tropical soda apple Solanum viarum. Growers who generally have a roadside market have constructed additional high tunnels across the United States or some form of direct marketing. The colors can also affect the behavior of certain insects.

Integrated Use of Bioactive, Green, and Plastic Mulches to Suppress Nutsedge in Horticultural Crops

Both of these crops would be targeted for fresh market sales in metropolitan locations.

Environmental Modification for Horticultural Crop Protection

The soil temperature under plastic mulch depends on the thermal properties reflectivity, absorptivity, or transmittancy of a particular material to incoming solar radiation Schales and Sheldrake, 1963. Several notable Extension Educators were leaders in the promotion of plasticulture for horticultural crop production in the late 1960s and 1970s in the United States.

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