

# Plant Right, Start Right

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# Pecans Dug In Dormant Season



- Undercut at 3 to 4 feet
- Trees taken to shed



# Pecan Nursery Field

Trees drying out



# Such Trees Never Grow Off Right

- Slow to leaf
- Leaves may drop





















- Crown gall

- Take back to nursery





- **Roots should have no brown streaks**



# Pecans Need Relatively Deep Soil

- Assume post hole digger is on the bottom of the hole.





Post hole digger at  
ground line along with  
the tree

- Dynamite rock or  
cut root?





# Water The Tree



# Soil Settles After Watering



- Exposed roots

- Fill soil and re-water



Cut back  
to 42 inches  
regardless of  
tree size





# Pecan Tree Planted In January

- Prime soil!
- Some cut back!
- May – looks dead





# Look At The Base Of the Tree

- Died back to what could support
- Rootstock
- Would need to re-graft







401 CUBES

970

GEORGE KOCH  
DRIP-IRRI  
SYSTEMS ORCH  
PUMP, 42-48-50  
TABLET WATER  
RHODANES TR













# Weed Control

- **Most important**
- **Weed free for 5 years**
- **Mechanical**
- **Herbicides**
- **Weed barrier fabrics**