

Part of a Proven System

The efficiency and economy of Straddle Fork has been demonstrated over 30 years of actual in-field use under demanding conditions. It does the job faster, with less energy and maintenance than any other method and when teamed with the Strad-O-Lift trailer, it is the most modern system for hand-picked crop harvesting.

Strad-O-Lift

The 32 bins, which Straddle Fork so neatly stacked along the roadside, can now be simultaneously picked-up, clamped and driven away by the Strad-o-Lift trailer.

The entire operation is performed by the driver in less than two minutes. He delivers the 30,000 lb. payload as a unit to the processing or packing plant and returns with a load of 32 empty bins. These are dropped in less than a minute at the orchard or field where Straddle Fork picks-up 8 bins at a time for distribution in the picking rows.

The Straddle Fork and the Strad-O-Lift operations are both performed by the drivers alone, without waiting and without assistance. Drivers need not leave their cabs and can be in motion continuously, resulting in extraordinary productivity.

(Top) Strad-O-Lift trailer backs up and straddles a 32 bin stack for rapid pick-up or discharge of the entire load.

(Bottom) After straddling the bins, they are raised, clamped and secured to transport at highway speeds.



Owners say continued...

"The Straddle Fork is the greatest thing that's happened for us since cartons were developed for packing nearly 60 years ago. We know of no other bulk bin handling method that even comes close to its performance. Yes, We're expanding our fleet of Straddle Fork machines."

Rex A. Berg, General Manager
Venture Pacific Company

"We own only one Straddle Fork because we found it to be more efficient than any other bin handling method we looked at on a daily basis, our foreman operates and maintains our Straddle Fork, stays ahead of 20 pickers, and still has time to do his quality inspection and paper work. Maintenance cost is lower than other engine driven machines

we've got on the ranch. Straddle Fork has helped us cut and hold down operating cost."

Robert A Dearnore, General Manager
Oro Del Norte Ranch

"We have 21 Straddle Forks right now, and use one per picking crew. It is capable of handling the output of 40 to 45 pickers easily a day. We're expanding our operation to do the contract hauling for another 200 growers soon and we'll add another 16 Straddle Forks to the operation."

Manuel Oritz, President, and Frank Oritz, Vice President
Oritz Brothers Trucking, Saticoy, CA