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Winter patty feeding test results look good. Adding the HBH, Amino-B and the new EX plant-based mineral vitamin seems to really help with consumption and the ability to raise brood as does the HBH and Amino-B in syrups during winter brood normal shut down times.

This colony has been fed the patty mix since last fall and shows brood (4 frames) on 1-7-12.

Bees were smoked off the frames to show the remaining patty (on leaf to enhance image).

1-7-12



Note- full frames of brood as in our last spring and summer fed patties, but good for 1-7-12 in the Appalachian Mountains when hives are broodless until late January when queens begin to lay eggs. Brood appears to be healthy with no disease and nice pearly white larvae. Also, newly hatched young bees were big fat and healthy. Bees were shaken off the frame to show the brood.

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Close up of brood and the bees which were only fed the patty with natural pollen in the hive. Though not seen here, there were a lot of eggs in the open cells and the larvae were all healthy and our pearly white. The patty seems to provide all the Minerals, Vitamins and Amino Acids the bees need to sustain them and their brood.

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