COTTON ADVISORY

HEAT UNITS
- HUs are running about 5 days behind normal.

SOIL TEMPERATURES
- Last Week’s 8am Soil Temp: Max = 65.5 APR 6; Min = 55.6 MAR 31
- Last Week’s Rain: Maricopa = 0” / Coolidge = 0”

WEATHER UPDATE
- Mostly sunny & very warm through Tuesday. Two strong late-season storm systems will impact the area beginning Wednesday & produce much cooler & less settled weather the rest of the week. Expect very windy conditions Tuesday & Wednesday with the approach of first system. The second system may produce precipitation in the form of scattered showers Friday & Saturday.
- A good planting forecast calls for clear skies with high temperatures above 80F and lows in the upper 40s or higher. Such conditions typically keep minimum soil temperatures above 60F & result in acceptable germination.
- The April 1 forecast for Colorado River spring flow into Lake Powell is 9.2 MAF or 28% above average.

Go to [https://www.ag.arizona.edu/azmet/cot-soil.htm](https://www.ag.arizona.edu/azmet/cot-soil.htm) to review local AZMET values.

Below are this week’s Cotton Advisories for Pinal County

Coolidge / Maricopa / Pinal

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CUSTOM RATE SURVEY

Custom rates for different jobs for each crop are always changing. We ask for your help to gather information that can update average custom rates and see the relative changes over the years.

CLICK HERE for a file constructed by UA Ag Economist, Trent Teegerstrom. Please, fill in “Your Rate” Columns for jobs that are relevant to your operation. Note that we left in the old costs from 2014 (Per Hour or Per Acre) as we want to see how different they are from current numbers.

You can send the file with your responses as an attachment to my email (bee1@email.arizona.edu) OR print and send it as hard copy by fax or mail to my address below:

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This survey is anonymous and your responses are confidential.