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## **Updated AZMet Data Tool for Cotton**

AZMet (the Arizona Meteorological Network) has updated its data tool for estimating growth stages based on cumulative Heat Units (Hus). Users can **customize** estimates by selecting an AZMet station and setting dates for planting and the end of the period of interest.

Please try it out at https://viz.datascience.arizona.edu/azmet/cotton-growth-stages-and-heat-units/.

If you have any questions about AZMet, please contact:

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## **Cotton Advisory**

- With Early season developmental stages can be predicted using heat unit accumulation after planting (HUAP). First pinhead squares typically develop at approximately 700 HUAP; susceptible squares at approximately 900 HUAP; and first flowers at about 1200 HUAP. Closely monitor soil moisture and avoid water stress.
- Water stress often leads to square abortion. It is important to avoid water stress at this time of year. The first
  post-plant irrigation for fields planted into moisture is typically applied between 700 & 1200 heat units after
  planting (Consult Heat Units accumulation graph for each station) with an optimum window at 800-1000 heat
  units after planting.

#### **Further reading:**

- ⇒ <a href="https://extension.arizona.edu/sites/extension.arizona.edu/files/programs/timing-the-first-post-plant-irrigation-pamphlet.pdf">https://extension.arizona.edu/sites/extension.arizona.edu/files/programs/timing-the-first-post-plant-irrigation-pamphlet.pdf</a>
- ⇒ <a href="https://extension.arizona.edu/sites/extension.arizona.edu/files/pubs/az1220-2014">https://extension.arizona.edu/sites/extension.arizona.edu/files/pubs/az1220-2014</a> 0.pdf
- ⇒ <a href="https://extension.arizona.edu/sites/extension.arizona.edu/files/pubs/az1220s-2017\_0.pdf">https://extension.arizona.edu/sites/extension.arizona.edu/files/pubs/az1220s-2017\_0.pdf</a> (Spanish version)
- ⇒ <a href="https://acis.cals.arizona.edu/docs/default-source/agricultural-ipm-documents/publications/2015/az1215-">https://acis.cals.arizona.edu/docs/default-source/agricultural-ipm-documents/publications/2015/az1215-</a>

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## **Annual Arizona Cotton Industry Meeting**

You are cordially invited to the Annual Arizona Cotton Industry Meeting. The meeting will be held at a NEW location this year:

Poco Diablo Resort in Sedona, Arizona

The dates are Wednesday, June 12, 2024 & Thursday, June 13, 2024.

The Annual Golf Tournament benefiting our scholarship fund will begin Wednesday at Noon, with registration for the conference beginning at 3:00 p.m. for those who have not pre-registered. A hosted reception and barbecue on the lawn will be held Wednesday evening. Our Thursday meeting will begin at 8:00 a.m. with continental breakfast available prior to speakers at 7:30 am. Thursday evening, we will have a hosted cocktail hour followed by dinner.

For more information visit <a href="https://www.azcottongrowers.org/annual-meeting">https://www.azcottongrowers.org/annual-meeting</a>

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