



WEST PLAINS IPM UPDATE

News about
Integrated Pest
Management in
Hockley,
Cochran, and
Lamb Counties
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GENERAL SITUATION

On the bright side, as a manager of pests (insects, weeds, and diseases) it is quiet out there. Ok, we are spraying weeds, albeit reluctantly with dry, hot, winds; and there are fields that have some seedling disease issues lingering. But the "elephant in the room" is this rebounding drought, the potential loss of many thousands of acres of both irrigated and dryland cotton, and the cost of doing business. I am not a pessimistic person, but I am a realistic person. I do believe we have to think long and hard about each action we take towards this crop. I know the conventional thinking is that any cotton we can produce this year could be valuable, possibly. However, it could be costly as well.

Cotton ranges from dry seed in the ground to 9 true leaves with small squares present. The hot, dry wind has taken a toll on these young squares in some fields. Do not confuse this type of square loss with losses from fleahoppers or other plant bugs.

We have mostly moved on from the concern for thrips. Thrips numbers are extremely low. I am seeing less than 1 thrips per +10 plants on cotton ranging from 1 true leaf to 5 true leaves. Be reminded that the threshold is one thrips per true leaf. Ex. 3 true leaves the threshold is 3 thrips per plant.





UNWANTED OR SURPLUS AGRICULTURAL PESTICIDES?

DISPOSE OF THEM PROPERLY AT NO COST AND STAY IN YOUR VEHICLE

Moore County Gin, 11800 US HWY 287 North, Dumas, Texas 79029

ACCEPTED ITEMS INCLUDE:

- Outdated, discontinued or unwanted agricultural pesticides
- Insecticides
- Herbicides
- Fungicides
- Rodenticides
- Nematicides
- Growth Regulators
- Empty, Triple-Rinsed Plastic Pesticide Containers (55 gal. max)
- Empty or Partial Metal Drums

PESTICIDES MUST BE KEPT IN ORIGINAL CONTAINERS, EVEN IF THE LABEL IS NOT PRESENT.

Unknown pesticides will be sampled and identified on site.

MATERIALS NOT ACCEPTED:

- Explosive ordinances and ammunition
- Petroleum-Based Products
- Paints
- Medical Wastes
- Radioactive Substances
- Household Pesticides, Chemicals, and Waste
- Tires
- Fertilizers, Propane or Butane Cylinders
- · Chlorinated Hydrocarbons
- Fumigant Canisters
- · Used motor oil and other automobile fluids
- Auto Batteries
- Empty Totes
- Methyl-Bromide Cylinders
- Dioxins (2,4-5T, Silvex, TCDD, etc.)

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2022 Alternative Crop Options after Failed Cotton and Late-Season Crop Planting for the Texas South Plains

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The primary objectives of this guide include providing producers with 1) Guidelines for crop replant options after failed crops, especially cotton. 2) Assist with late season planting decisions where timely planting, duration to crop maturity, and fall weather risk may impact successful cropping. 3) Provide contractor contact information as well as recent approximate pricing, particularly for crops where price is fixed at contract signing. 4) This information is applicable as well for the Texas Panhandle, Texas Rolling Plains, and the Concho Valley region. The planting dates will change for crop and location. Here is the link:

https://lubbock.tamu.edu/files/2022/06/Hailout-Replant-LatePlant-Guide-TX-S-Plains-Trostle-Maeda-2022.pdf





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Legislation to Reduce Farm Input Costs

Introduced
Ocean Shipping Reform Act Signed into Law
Tips to Stay Safe Outside in Hot Temperatures
When Looking at Markets, Brace with Faith
Pest Management Outlook

Here is the link:

Cotton Industry Seeks Volunteers

https://plainscotton.org/cn220617/

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