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Kern UCCE/DWR Weekly Crop Water Use Report

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| WEEKLY SOIL MOISTURE LOSS IN INCHES | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | | (Esti | mated Crop | Evapotran | spiration or | ETc) | | | | | | |
| 06/27/16 through 07/03/16 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Crops (Leafout Date) | | #5 Shafter | | | #12 | Arvin-Edison | | | #146 Belridge | | | |
| | Past Week | Accum'd | Next Week's | | Past Week | Accum'd | Next Week's | | Past Week | Accum'd | Next Week's | |
| | of Water | Seasonal | Estimated | | of Water | Seasonal | Estimated | | of Water | Seasonal | Estimated | |
| | Use | Water Use | ETc | | Use | Water Use | ETc | | Use | Water Use | ETc | |
| Almonds (2/22) * | 2.20 | 25.83 | 2.09 | | 2.63 | 27.50 | 2.30 | | 2.20 | 26.05 | 2.16 | |
| Pistachio (3/28) * ** | 2.20 | 16.37 | 2.09 | | 2.57 | 17.51 | 2.30 | | 2.20 | 16.30 | 2.16 | |
| Citrus | 1.30 | 20.54 | 1.25 | | 1.51 | 21.70 | 1.39 | | 1.29 | 20.98 | 1.26 | |
| Grapes (3/10) (late season table, 75% cover) | 2.47 | 17.34 | 2.44 | | 2.92 | 18.76 | 2.72 | | 2.47 | 17.37 | 2.51 | |
| Winegrapes (3/10) (50% cover) *** | 1.01 | 12.17 | 0.97 | | 1.19 | 12.73 | 1.05 | | 1.01 | 12.02 | 0.98 | |
| Alfalfa | 1.92 | 29.12 | 1.81 | | 2.28 | 30.74 | 2.02 | | 1.92 | 29.76 | 1.88 | |
| Cotton | 2.38 | 11.15 | 2.29 | | 2.78 | 12.14 | 2.51 | | 2.37 | 11.14 | 2.37 | |
| Past 7 days precipitation (inches) | | 0.00 | | | | 0.00 | | | | 0.00 | | |
| Accumulated precipitation (inches) | | 3.73 | | | | 6.39 | | | | 3.95 | | |

Accumulations started on February 22, 2016 or on the approximate leafout date for a specific orchard crop as indicated in parentheses. Criteria for beginning this report are based on the season's last significant rainfall event where the soil moisture profile is estimated to be near its highest level for the new season.

* Estimates are for orchard floor conditions where vegetation is managed by some combination of strip applications of herbicides, frequent mowing or tillage, and by mid and late season shading and water stress. Weekly estimates of soil moisture loss can be as much as 25 percent higher in orchards where cover crops are planted and managed more intensively for maximum growth.

** Very vigorous, non-salt affected peak season pistachio Kc can be as high as 1.19 - resulting in about 8% greater water use than shown in these tables.

*** Winegrapes irrigated at 50% of ETo starting June 1 to end of September.

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| #5 Shafter | | | | #125 Arvin-Edison | | | | #146 Belridge | | | | |
| 65% | 75% | 85% | 95% | 65% | 75% | 85% | 95% | 65% | 75% | 85% | 95% | |
| 3.4 | 2.9 | 2.6 | 2.3 | 4.0 | 3.5 | 3.1 | 2.8 | 3.4 | 2.9 | 2.6 | 2.3 | |
| 3.4 | 2.9 | 2.6 | 2.3 | 4.0 | 3.4 | 3.0 | 2.7 | 3.4 | 2.9 | 2.6 | 2.3 | |
| 2.0 | 1.7 | 1.5 | 1.4 | 2.3 | 2.0 | 1.8 | 1.6 | 2.0 | 1.7 | 1.5 | 1.4 | |
| 3.8 | 3.3 | 2.9 | 2.6 | 4.5 | 3.9 | 3.4 | 3.1 | 3.8 | 3.3 | 2.9 | 2.6 | |
| 1.6 | 1.3 | 1.2 | 1.1 | 1.8 | 1.6 | 1.4 | 1.3 | 1.6 | 1.3 | 1.2 | 1.1 | |
| 3.0 | 2.6 | 2.3 | 2.0 | 3.5 | 3.0 | 2.7 | 2.4 | 3.0 | 2.6 | 2.3 | 2.0 | |
| 3.7 | 3.2 | 2.8 | 2.5 | 4.3 | 3.7 | 3.3 | 2.9 | 3.6 | 3.2 | 2.8 | 2.5 | |
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1 The amount of water required by a specific irrigation system to satisfy evapotranspiration. Typical ranges in irrigation system efficiency are: Drip, 80%-95%; Micro-sprinkler, 80%-90%; Sprinkler, 70%-85%; and Border-furrow, 50%-75%.

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