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The cotton season in New Mexico during 2016 was a good one. All the harvest has come in and many farmers are judging the year to be above average for both Upland and Pima yields. There were some scattered hail damages early in the season leading to replanting of some fields, but it was not widespread. There were also some incidences of cotton rust in parts of the State, but not severe enough to affect overall yields. The temperature warmed up slowly early in the season leading to slow development of cotton in many fields. However, the season eventually warmed up, providing sufficient heat units for rapid cotton growth. The monsoon came later than expected, which led to a greater dependence on irrigation from canals and wells. In the end, everything worked out well with the season ending up to be a good one for NM cotton growers. We wish our cotton producers and stakeholders a happy holiday season.

Please, send your comments and contributions to John Idowu (email: jidowu@nmsu.edu; phone: (575-646-2571). Previous editions of the Cotton Newsletter are posted on <http://aces.nmsu.edu/ces/ifcpm/cotton-production.html>

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2017 NM COTTON CONFERENCE

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2017 NM Cotton Growers Association Conference – (January 11th, 2017)

The New Mexico Cotton Growers Association Conference will be held **Wednesday, January 11th, 2017** from 8:00am till 4:00pm at the Ruidoso Convention Center, 111 Sierra Blanca Dr., Ruidoso, NM.

The Cotton Conference will be coming up a day before the Hay Association Meeting

We have a lineup of great speakers, from within and outside of New Mexico including Dr. Randy Norton (U of A Cotton Specialist), Dr. Don Parker (NCC Manager of Integrated Pest Management) and Greg Townsend (Visalia Cotton Classing Office) who will deliver cutting-edge information related to cotton production practices. We will also have representatives from seed, chemical and irrigation industries, to provide information on products that can lead to cost savings for farmers.

A registration form is attached to this newsletter. Please complete and mail the registration no later than January 5th, 2017 to help us plan for lunch. Registration Fee is \$25 per person.

The **Lodge at Sierra Blanca** (107 Sierra Blanca Dr., Ruidoso, NM; Phone: 575-258-5500) is offering a discounted conference rate in conjunction with the New Mexico Hay Association conference. Please, reference the NM Hay Association Conference when making reservations or at the reception desk on your arrival to get the conference rate.

Send, Email or Fax completed registration to: Patrick Sullivan, 1946 S. Valley Drive, Las Cruces, NM 88005; Email: nmcottongrowers@outlook.com; Phone: 575-541-0584; Fax: 575-541-0788

Cotton Prices: 2015/2016

	2015		2016	
	Upland Cotton "A" Index*	ELS (Pima) Spot Price*	Upland Cotton "A" Index*	ELS (Pima) Spot Price*
January	67.35	147.70	68.75	115.80
February	69.84	143.00	66.57	109.70
March	69.35	142.70	65.46	109.00
April	71.7	135.20	69.28	104.70
May	72.86	132.00	70.28	104.70
June	72.35	132.00	74.10	104.70
July	72.35	132.00	81.06	104.70
August	71.82	130.10	80.48	104.70
September	68.74	126.00	77.86	104.70
October	69.03	125.50	78.52	104.70
November	69.22	121.70	78.92	118.50
December	70.39	120.50		
Average	70.42	132.37	73.75	107.81

*Source: National Cotton Council of America and prices in (cents/pound of lint).

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**New Mexico Cotton Growers Association
2017 Annual Cotton Conference
January 11th, 2016
Ruidoso Convention Center, Ruidoso, NM**

Name _____

Company _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Cell (optional) _____

Email Address _____

Would you like to present a short industry update or have a table-top display? _____

Registration by January 5th, 2017 is appreciated to guarantee numbers for lunch.
Cost is \$25.00 per person

There will be some room for table-top displays for industry representatives around the conference and break room. No cost for displays, but we ask that you provide one or more door prizes for drawings during the meeting.

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