

# Caprock Pest Management Newsletter

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# TEXAS A&M AGRI LIFE EXTENSION



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## Current Crop Conditions

Cotton is on the last leg of the season. Many producers have begun to terminate irrigation this past week. However, there are some that will have to continue to irrigate for at least another week. The fields that I am referring to are the later planted fields, where we still need a little more time to help fill out bolls. A few producers have started making

harvest aid applications last week and this week. I have also heard reports of a few dryland fields that were harvested earlier this week in both counties but have not heard what the yields were like.

As far as the **pest situation** in cotton is concerned, cotton is for the most part safe from insect pests. I am still monitoring for Kurtomathrips in fields where irrigation has been terminated. I don't believe any insecticide applications will have to be made for this pest. Even though an application will most likely not be needed, I encourage producers to monitor for this pest. This will help us in Crosby and Floyd Counties track the progression of this pest.

## PUMPKINS

Pumpkins are in full stage V. Irrigation has been terminated in pumpkins and many producers have started to harvest their pumpkin crop this week. As we move into next week the pumpkin harvest will be in full swing.

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