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The cotton season was good this year, with more water availability than in the past seasons. There were incidences of hails across the State during the season, however, most of the cotton fields affected recovered from the damages. We also had an outbreak of the southwestern cotton rust in the southern NM, but the outbreak was not severe enough to affect cotton yields. In addition, many farmers treated their fields after the outbreak, to prevent the disease from spreading further. Cotton yields this year is expected to be slightly above average. 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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**NM COTTON
CONFERENCE
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COTTON PRICES

2016 NM Cotton Growers Association Conference – (January 13th, 2016)

The New Mexico Cotton Growers Association Conference will be held **Wednesday, January 13th, 2016** 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

Program highlights for the NM Cotton Conference include:

- *Yield and fiber quality information of cotton varieties*
- *Salinity management in agricultural fields*
- *Integrated weed management in cotton*
- *New pests to watch out for in 2016*
- *Progress with glandless cotton research in New Mexico*
- *New technologies related to cotton ginning*
- *Updates and New Products from the Industry*

New Mexico and Texas CEUs will be available

A registration form is attached to this newsletter. Please complete and mail the registration no later than January 5th, 2016 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: 2013 and 2014

	2014		2015	
	Upland Cotton "A" Index*	ELS (Pima) Spot Price*	Upland Cotton "A" Index*	ELS (Pima) Spot Price*
January	90.96	161.00	67.35	147.70
February	94.05	161.00	69.84	143.00
March	96.95	161.80	69.35	142.70
April	94.20	163.60	71.70	135.20
May	92.71	166.50	72.86	132.00
June	90.90	166.50	72.35	132.00
July	83.84	166.50	72.35	132.00
August	74.00	166.50	71.82	130.10
September	73.38	166.50	68.74	126.00
October	70.34	166.50	69.03	125.50
November	67.56	162.00		
December	68.30	158.00		
Average	83.10	163.87	70.54	134.62

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

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**New Mexico Cotton Growers Association
2016 Annual Cotton Conference
January 13th, 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, 2016 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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