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**Dear cotton producer:**

The University of California Cooperative Extension (UCCE) has a website to keep you informed of activities pertaining to cotton production. Dr. Bob Hutmacher maintains the site at <http://cottoninfo.ucdavis.edu>.

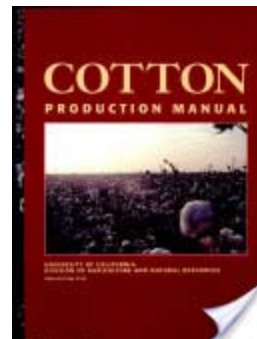
You will find meeting notices, variety trials results, reports of recent research of various kinds and important in-season decision notices. Be sure to take advantage of this valuable resource.

The UCCE is conducting an upland cotton variety trial this year to evaluate yield and quality of eight new varieties. Also, there is involvement with breeders to study several new varieties for agronomic performance. A third test is designed to screen new material for wilt resistance. These and other results will be posted for your benefit.

Numerous other cotton resources are available at the UCCE Merced office. A cotton production manual that covers all aspects of cotton growing can be very helpful in making production decisions. Publications dealing with insects, diseases, fertilization, and most other aspects of cotton production are available. Also, a newly published "Cotton Physiology" book can be purchased.

Here is wishing you a very successful cotton production year.

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The Cotton Production Manual is available at the Merced County UC Cooperative Extension Office and at our state cotton web site.

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