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WEEKLY SOIL MOISTURE LOSS IN INCHES

(Estimated Crop Evapotranspiration or ET_C) 04/18/25 through 04/24/25

Crops (Leafout Date)	#148 Merced			#39 Parlier			#258 Lemon Cove			
	04/18 - 04/24	Accum'd	04/25 - 05/01	04/18 - 04/24	Accum'd	04/25 - 05/01	04/18 - 04/24	Accum'd	04/25 - 05/01	
	Water	Seasonal	Estimated	Water	Seasonal	Estimated	Water	Seasonal	Estimated	
	Use	Water Use	ETc	Use	Water Use	ETc	Use	Water Use	ETc	
Almonds (3/1) *	1.03	5.30	1.15	1.16	5.55	1.17	1.11	5.04	1.18	
Pistachio (TBD) * **	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Citrus (2/1)	0.90	7.03	0.95	1.00	7.39	0.98	0.97	6.78	1.03	
Raisin Grapes (4/14) (11 ft. row spacing)	0.28	0.38	0.38	0.32	0.43	0.38	0.31	0.39	0.40	
Winegrapes (4/14) (10 ft. spacing on California Sprawl Trellis)	0.32	0.46	0.40	0.37	0.51	0.42	0.35	0.46	0.44	
Walnuts (4/14)	0.14	0.22	0.50	0.17	0.25	0.50	0.19	0.26	0.51	
Stone Fruit (3/8)	0.55	2.14	0.74	0.63	2.37	0.76	0.59	2.16	0.77	
Past 7 days precipitation (inches)		0.00			0.00			0.00		-
Accumulated precipitation (inches) (1/1/2025)		0.00			5.22			4.26		

Dates in parentheses above, indicate leaf out or starting date for ET accumulation for the specific crop

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System Efficiency >>	65%	75%	85%	95%	65%	75%	85%	95%	65%	75%	85%	95%
Almonds (3/1)	1.6	1.4	1.2	1.1	1.8	1.5	1.4	1.2	1.7	1.5	1.3	1.2
Pistachio (TBD)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Citrus (2/1)	1.4	1.2	1.1	0.9	1.5	1.3	1.2	1.1	1.5	1.3	1.1	1.0
Raisin Grapes (4/14) (11 ft. row spacing)***	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Winegrapes (4/14) (10 ft. spacing on California Sprawl Trellis) ***	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Walnuts (4/14)	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2
Stone Fruit (3/8)	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.6	1.0	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.6

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%.

PAST WEEKLY APPLIED WATER IN GALLON PER TREE OR VINE

Crops		#148 Merce	ed			#39 Parlier			#258 Lemon Cove				
Almonds 115 Trees/A	378	331	283	260	425	354	331	283	401	354	307	283	
Pistachio 106 Trees/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Citrus 110 Trees/A	346	296	272	222	370	321	296	272	370	321	272	247	
Raisin Grapes 566 Vines/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Winegrapes 622 Vines/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Walnuts 76 Trees/A	71	71	71	36	107	71	71	71	107	107	71	71	
Stonefruit 172 Trees/A	126	111	95	95	158	126	111	111	142	126	111	95	

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Crops (Leafout Date)	#124 Panoche				#2 Five Points			#15 Stratford			
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	Water	Seasonal	Estimated		Water	Seasonal	Estimated	Water	Seasonal	Estimated	1
	Use	Water Use	ETc		Use	Water Use	ETc	Use	Water Use	ETc	
Almonds (3/1) *	1.19	5.25	1.30		1.15	5.38	1.38	1.28	5.79	1.36	1
Pistachio (TBD) * **	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Citrus (2/1)	1.03	7.68	1.09		1.00	7.81	1.17	1.12	8.44	1.15	1
Raisin Grapes (4/14) (11 ft. row spacing)	0.32	0.45	0.44		0.32	0.44	0.46	0.36	0.48	0.44	
Winegrapes (4/14) (10 ft. spacing on California Sprawl Trellis)	0.37	0.54	0.47		0.37	0.52	0.50	0.41	0.57	0.50	
Walnuts (4/14)	0.19	0.28	0.57		0.18	0.27	0.61	0.19	0.30	0.60	
Stone Fruit (3/8)	0.62	2.40	0.84		0.61	2.33	0.89	0.68	2.48	0.87	
Past 7 days precipitation (inches)		0.00		-		0.00			0.00		
Accumulated precipitation (inches) (1/1/2025)		2.21				2.85			2.51		1

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Walnuts (4/14)	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2
Stone Fruit (3/8)	1.0	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.6	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.7

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