

PINK BOLLWORM PROGRAM – WEEKLY REPORT
45 YEARS OF SERVICE TO COTTON GROWERS



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Pink Bollworm Activities

Southern California:

No native Pink Bollworm (PBW) moths have been captured to date. There have been 3,735,030 sterile moths released over okra in the Niland area and over cotton in the Bard area. There have been a total of 10,584 sterile moth trapped to date.

San Joaquin Valley:

Pheromone treatments were made in cotton fields in Merced County this week. The fields are in and directly adjacent to the 2011 cotton field with 1 native find. Ten Pink Bollworm Program personnel from both the Fresno and Shafter offices were involved, as well as six personnel from the Hydrilla Program and four personnel from the Beet Curly Top Virus Program. A total of seven fields were involved with two whole fields and five partial fields. A total of 17,000 pheromone ropes were deployed in eighty-five acres.



Cotton mapping has been nearly completed in Fresno, Kern, Kings, Merced, Madera and Tulare Counties. Cotton acreage in the San Joaquin Valley appears to be running about 20% behind last years' acreage.

Sacramento Valley:

The latest heat unit projections indicate mapping and trapping will begin in late August or early September.