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

* Estimates are for orchard floor conditions where vegetation is managed by some combination of strip applications of herbicides, frequent mowing or tillage, and by mid and late season shading and water stress. Weekly estimates of soil moisture loss can be as much as 25 percent higher in orchards where cover crops are planted and managed more intensively for maximum growth.

** Very vigorous, non-salt affected peak season pistachio Kc can be as high as 1.19 – resulting in about 8% greater water use than shown in these tables.

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%.

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