

Cold Hardiness

Freeze Protection (Passive and Active)

- Plant on a hill with a south or southwest slope.
- Avoid low lying locations.
- Do not fertilize after early August.
- Microjet irrigation for freeze protection.
- Tree wrap or soil mounding for freeze protection.
- Tree covers if dealing with a small number of trees.

Microjet issues

- Filters required. The smaller the orifice size the more plugging.
- Can combine microjet with soil mounding or tree wraps.
- Microjets can be your sole irrigation system.
 Direct spray to trunk and major limbs of tree.
 After freeze period redirect spray to soil.
- Available patterns 90, 180, 270 or 360 degrees
- Can attach to stake if desired.

Microjet irrigation frost protection

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 Black 0.8 mm 8 gal/hr
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• Blue* 1.0 mm 14 gal/hr

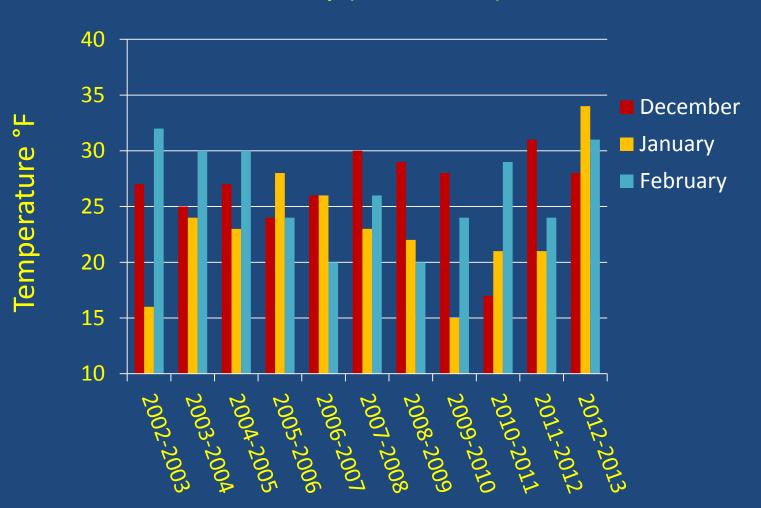
Green 1.3 mm 22 gal/hr

Red 1.5 mm 33 gal/hr

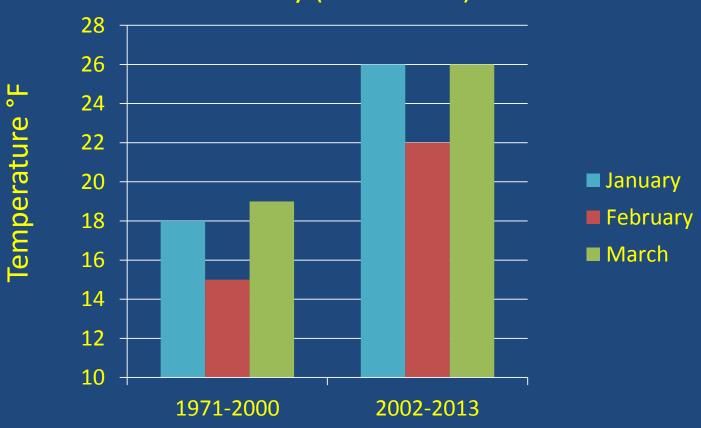
White 2.3 mm 58 gal/hr

*Most popular.

Minimum monthly Temperatures at NFREC-Quincy (2002-2013)



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Cost of Well

Diameter	gal/min	Cost of Install	
• 4	50	\$9,000	
• 6	200	\$22,000	
• 8	500	\$35,000	
• 10	700	\$85,000	
• 12	1.200	\$130,000	

What Happened When the Pump Failed

- Conditions
- Microjet irrigation started 5:30 pm. Temp = 35 F
- Irrigation ran all night. Wind speed = 10-15 mph.
 Minimum temp. = 18 F
- Pump failed at 9:30 am. Temp. = 21 F
- Entire irrigation lines frozen in 15 minutes
- Ice remained on trees until Wednesday afternoon





Owari/Trifoliate Orange



Early Pride



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Ranking of Freeze Tolerance

- For mature trees ranking:
- Satsuma (Trifoliate orange rtsk) most tolerant No damage.
- Mature Navel and Honeybell (Carizzo rtsk)- Tip burn.
- For young trees (All Swingle rtsk) ranking:
- Satsuma little or no damage.
- Sugar Belle 9 of 16 survived. Trunk sprouts. Slight leaf burn.
- Tango 2 of 16 trees survived. Trunk sprouts. Most trees killed above soil mound.
- Minneola Honeybelle 0 of 16 survived. Some trunk sprouts. Trees killed above soil mound.
- Early Pride 0 of 16 survived. Some trunk sprouts. Trees killed above soil mound.



Cold Hardiness of Rubidoux versus Flying Dragon

 Scion/Rootstock 	4 Dec.	24 Feb.	17 Mar.
• BS/FD	8.5	7.6	6.3
• BS/RB	9.3	7.9	7.7
• OW/FD	7.7	6.8	5.7
• OW/RB	8.4	7.7	7.3
 Statistics (Isd) 	0.7	NS	NS

New Citrus Cultivars at NFREC-Quincy

- Orlando Tangelo
- Glen Navel
- Bud Blood
- Nova
- USDA 6385
- USDA 6377

New UF Fast Track Mandarins (All are Sweet, Easy to Peel and Seedless)

- UF 900 Early season (Sept./ Oct.).
- Kids Favorite (UF C4-15-19) Early to Mid Season (Oct./Nov.). Very Sweet, Excellent Color.
- Seedless Snack (UF N40W-6-3) Mid Season (Late Oct./Nov.).
- UF 950 Late Season (Dec./Jan.).
- Cold Hardiness is unknown.