



YUMA FREEZE UPDATE

Spring Mix/Spinach

Heavily Affected by Cold Temperatures.

Due to the freezing temperatures the first week of February in Yuma, AZ, where Spring Mix and spinach are grown this time of year, the quality and availability of these two items will be seriously affected. The tender leaves used to pack them were burnt by the ice which has reduced the supply and created quality issues. All growers in this region are experiencing the same issues. Production has been reduced by as much as 50-80% on these two items. You should expect to see fewer leaf varieties in your spring mix and in particular, fewer red varieties, or no red at all in an effort to avoid as many quality issues as possible. The reds were hit the hardest by the freeze. You should also expect the shelf life to be somewhat shorter due to the stress the plants were put under. This situation will continue through this week and possibly through next week depending on current weather conditions.

We appreciate your support, we have our quality inspectors in the fields and packing houses doing everything they can to minimize the effect on you.

