

THE DETOUR

how far American Pima travels to become yarn.

FIG. 03
MILES • ONE WAY • JUN 2026

ROUND THE WORLD TO SPIN

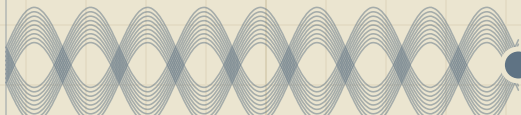
YUMA LOOP

farm to spindle
proposed • days

 ~185
MILES

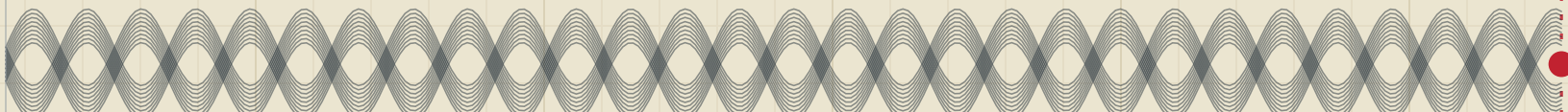
TO U.S. MILL

ship to Georgia
open-end only • days

 ~1,900
MILES

ASIA ROUND-TRIP

export, spin, reimport
today • weeks at sea

 ~6,000
MILES EACH WAY

0 1k 2k 3k 4k 5k 6k mi

READING

Distance is delay. The same fibre that grows beside Yuma rides roughly 6,000 miles to be spun and 6,000 home again — weeks at sea — when a hub next door could close the loop in days. The dashed line is the return voyage.