



California Crop Weather

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WEATHER

High pressure kept the weather pattern relatively quiet throughout the state for most of the week, with continuing mild and dry conditions. Smoke continued to be an issue as stagnant air didn't allow for much dispersion to take place during the week. By the weekend, an approaching low pressure system began to weaken the high pressure along the coast. This led to some weak onshore flow to arrive near the coastal regions bringing in cooler air to the regions.

Temperature highs ranged from the 60s in the Sierras, low 60s to upper 70s in the mountains, mid 60s to upper 70s in the Central Valley, upper 60s to low 80s along the coast, and mid 70s to mid 80s in the desert. Temperature lows ranged from upper single digits to mid 40s in the Sierras, upper 10s to lower 40s along the coast, upper 20s to upper 30s in the Central Valley, low 20s to upper 40s in the desert, and mid 20s to low 40s in the mountains.

FIELD CROPS

Beans continued to be harvested in Sutter County. In Tulare County, **cotton** harvest concluded and **alfalfa** was cut and baled. **Corn** and **sorghum** were harvested for silage in Fresno County.

FRUIT CROPS

Olives, **lemons**, Valencia **oranges** and Finger **limes** were harvested. Navel oranges were picked and tested for maturity. Pushed out citrus groves were prepared for planting. Table and wine **grape** harvest continued. Raisin grapes were harvested and laid out for sun drying, while dried raisins were picked up. **Asian pears**, **pomegranates**, and **quince** were harvested. Stone fruit harvest was done for the season. Some old stone fruit orchards were torn out for replacement with new trees. **Persimmon** and **kiwi** harvesting was ongoing.

NUT CROPS

Walnut harvest was complete and **pecan** harvest continued. Harvested orchards were cleaned and young trees were irrigated.

VEGETABLE CROPS

In Fresno County, **carrots** progressed well and **broccoli** harvest continued. In Imperial County, carrots were planted.

LIVESTOCK

Rangeland and non-irrigated pasture remained in poor condition. More precipitation is needed for fall grass germination. Cattle continued to be provided supplemental feed.

