Last Week's Rain Was Welcomed

May 12, 2013

Days suitable for field work 5. Topsoil moisture was 10% short and 90% adequate. Subsoil moisture was 10% short and 90% adequate. Pasture and range condition was 20% fair, 65% good, and 15% excellent. Last week's rain was welcomed.

Producers continued to plant field corn and soybeans. Fruit trees, blueberries, and strawberries were in bloom. Strawberry harvesting began this week. Spring vegetable planting continued. Cool weather has slowed vegetable plant development; production is a few weeks behind. Asparagus, herbs, greens, and lettuces were among the crops that have been harvested. Other activities included irrigation, tillage work, chopping forages, and some hay work. Livestock condition was good and dairy production was average.