Week ending March 31, 2013

Days suitable for field work 4.5. Topsoil moisture was 5% short, 80% adequate, 15% surplus. Subsoil moisture was 85% adequate and 15% surplus. Pasture and range condition was 15% poor, 35% fair, and 50% good. Temperatures reached highs in the mid 50s and lows in the low 20s across the Garden State.

New Jersey's small grain crops were progressing nicely. Orchard pruning was well underway. Fields were being prepped for spring planting. Greens and lettuces are among the crops that have been planted. Other activities included tillage work, spreading lime and fertilizer, vegetable producers laying plastic, and weed control.