WYOMING CROP PROGRESS



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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 20, 2019

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Cold and wet conditions were seen across much of Wyoming last week delaying fieldwork and crop progress, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Topsoil and subsoil moisture levels were mostly in the adequate to short range. A reporter from Northwestern Wyoming stated that beet harvest has been slowed due to the freeze. A reporter from Western Wyoming stated that they have received a lot of moisture in the form of snow with as much as a foot of snow in the mountains. They also indicated that all harvesting of any grain or hay has come to a stop for the year. A reporter in Southcentral Wyoming indicated that winter appears to be coming early, with most of the cow work done and the hay supplies look good for the most part. A reporter from Southeastern Wyoming stated that they got 4 inches of snow which has forced some feeding. They also indicted that harvests were essentially over. The U.S. drought monitor released on October 17th, showed most of Wyoming with good moisture, but with abnormally dry conditions in the Southwestern and South Central parts of the state. Irrigation water supply across Wyoming was rated 3 percent poor, 37 percent fair, and 60 percent good. Stock water supplies across Wyoming were rated 3 percent very short, 23 percent short, and 74 percent adequate.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa hay	•		•	
3rd cutting harvested	71	65	99	82
Corn				
Mature	99	91	96	90
Harvest for grain	2		28	21
Harvested for silage	96	89	99	98
Dry edible beans				
Cut	92	84	100	97
Harvested	87	74	99	89
Sugarbeet				
Harvested	46	22	71	58
Winter wheat				
Emerged	97	90	99	89

NA - not available

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DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork	5.9	4.7	6.4	6.3
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	7	6	13	9
Short	36	39	35	28
Adequate	53	46	52	59
Surplus	4	9		4
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	18	13	14	10
Short	42	44	40	32
Adequate	40	43	46	57
Surplus				1

NA – not available

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CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn	•			
Very poor				1
Poor	2	2	1	2
Fair	23	22	11	11
Good	74	75	85	83
Excellent	1	1	3	3
Pasture and range				
Very poor	2	3	12	6
Poor	14	8	12	10
Fair	51	49	32	33
Good	33	38	40	43
Excellent		2	4	8
Sugarbeets				
Very poor			NA	NA
Poor			NA	NA
Fair	40	31	NA	NA
Good	60	69	NA	NA
Excellent			NA	NA
Winter wheat				
Very poor	4	3	3	2
Poor	11	10	2	2
Fair	31	28	3	26
Good	50	55	89	65
Excellent	4	4	3	5
Livestock				
Very poor				
Poor	1	1	1	1
Fair	10	15	12	11
Good	88	80	84	78
Excellent	1	4	3	10

NA – not available

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