WYOMING CROP PROGRESS



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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 27, 2019

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Cold and wet conditions were seen across much of Wyoming last week's 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 ranges but improving. A reporter from Northwestern Wyoming stated that the weather has not been cooperating for harvest, especially the sugarbeet harvest. A reporter from North Central Wyoming stated that the sugarbeet harvest has been held up by rain and snow. A reporter from Western Wyoming indicated that the temperature has been near zero degrees Fahrenheit at night. They also indicated that there is snow in the mountains with some daytime melting at lower altitudes. A reporter in Southeastern Wyoming indicated that early mid-winter conditions have developed. They also stated that that producers are under winter feeding conditions. Another reporter from Southeastern Wyoming stated that corn and sunflower harvest is underway, though wind has caused several issues. The U.S. drought monitor released on October 24th, 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, 35 percent fair, and 62 percent good compared to last year at this time when it was rated 2 percent poor, 9 percent fair, and 89 percent good. Stock water supplies across Wyoming were rated 3 percent very short, 17 percent short, and 80 percent adequate while last year at this time it was rated 3 percent very short, 19 percent short, and 78 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	84	71	100	87
Corn				
Harvest for grain	15	2	33	30
Dry edible beans				
Cut	98	92	100	100
Harvested	94	87	100	95
Sugarbeet				
Harvested	67	46	90	74

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	5.0	5.9	6.7	6.6
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	6	7	9	9
Short	31	36	32	30
Adequate	60	53	59	58
Surplus	3	4		3
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	12	18	11	11
Short	43	42	34	31
Adequate	45	40	55	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	1
Poor	2	2	1	2
Fair	23	23	13	10
Good	74	74	84	84
Excellent	1	1	1	3
Pasture and range				
Very poor	3	2	6	NA
Poor	12	14	11	NA
Fair	43	51	33	NA
Good	39	33	41	NA
Excellent	3		9	NA
Sugarbeets				
Very poor			NA	NA
Poor	8		NA	NA
Fair	39	40	NA	NA
Good	53	60	NA	NA
Excellent			NA	NA
Winter wheat				
Very poor	4	4		1
Poor	11	11	1	2
Fair	30	31	1	24
Good	51	50	94	69
Excellent	4	4	4	4
Livestock				
Very poor				
Poor	2	1		1
Fair	11	10	9	11
Good	82	88	84	77
Excellent	5	1	7	11

NA – not available

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