WYOMING CROP PROGRESS



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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 22, 2020

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: For the week ending November 22, Wyoming experienced dry, windy and cold conditions across much of the state, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. According to the National Integrated Drought Information System, Wyoming's drought conditions have improved slightly from last week. Most of the state has large sections in extremely dry to drought conditions. According to the NIDIS, the amount of land rated as experiencing extreme drought stands at 25.4 percent. The amount of land rated at severe drought, moderate drought, and abnormally dry was 31.1 percent, 31.2 percent, and 7.6 percent, respectively. A small part (0.4 percent) of the state was rated at exceptional drought. A reporter from Western Wyoming stated that they have pretty much settled in for winter as the ground has frozen with lows below zero and highs up to thirty. A reporter from South Central Wyoming noted that they have had cool and very windy conditions. They also indicated that cow work is underway with feeding hay and some possible herd reductions. Three reporters from Southeastern Wyoming indicated that they had warm and windy days, which have further dried out the ground, but allowed for grazing where there is sufficient pasture. Corn for grain harvest continued, with 95 percent of the crop harvested, compared to 71 percent last year and 73 percent on average. Hay and roughage supplies were rated 12 percent very short, 21 percent short, 65 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus compared, to 12 percent very short, 30 percent short, 62 percent adequate, and 4 percent surplus last week. Stock water supplies across Wyoming were rated 13 percent very short, 30 percent short, and 57 percent adequate, compared to 10 percent very short, 33 percent short, and 57 percent adequate last week.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS							
Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average			
Corn	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)			
Harvested for grain	95	93	71	73			

NA – not available

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DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION						
	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average		
Days suitable for fieldwork	6.8	6.3	4.1	5.1		
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
Very short	30	31	6	10		
Short	37	40	26	30		
Adequate	33	29	53	54		
Surplus			15	6		
Subsoil moisture						
Very short	50	57	12	12		
Short	28	27	29	34		
Adequate	22	16	56	51		
Surplus			3	3		

NA – not available

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CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Pasture and range				
Very poor	27	25	5	NA
Poor	37	40	10	NA
Fair	34	35	44	NA
Good	2		37	NA
Excellent			4	NA
Winter wheat				
Very poor	4	4	3	3
Poor	15	16	10	7
Fair	30	32	26	24
Good	47	44	57	62
Excellent	4	4	4	4
Livestock				
Very poor				
Poor	4	3	2	2
Fair	21	23	8	14
Good	75	74	82	75
Excellent			8	9

NA – not available

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