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ALABAMA: Days suitable for fieldwork was 6.0. Topsoil moisture 14% very short, 36% short, 48% adequate, and 2% surplus. Subsoil moisture 12% very short, 40% short, 47% adequate, and 1% surplus. Soybeans harvested 74%, 62% last week, 44% 2013, and 55% avg. Winter wheat planted 37%, 24% last week, 29% 2013, and 30% avg. Winter wheat emerged 23%, 14% last week, 16% 2013, and 14% avg. Winter wheat condition 1% very poor, 4% poor, 40% fair, 54% good, and 1% excellent. Livestock condition 1% very poor, 9% poor, 23% fair, 60% good, and 7% excellent. Pasture and range condition 6% very poor, 22% poor, 43% fair, 25% good, and 4% excellent. The week's average mean temperatures ranged from 54.4 F in Anniston to 60.8 F in Mobile. A very beneficial and timely rain came this week to give cool season pastures a boost. Winter grazing has been very slow to grow with the dry conditions. Frost and the end of the week took out remaining warm season forages leaving cool season pastures as the primary source of forage nutrition.

ALASKA: DATA NOT AVAILABLE

ARIZONA: Days suitable for field work 7.0 days. Topsoil moisture 1% very short, 35% short, 64% adequate and 0% surplus. Subsoil moisture 8% very short, 33% short, 59% adequate and 0% surplus. Arizona's alfalfa condition was rated in fair to excellent condition, depending on location. Harvesting occurred on over three-quarters of the alfalfa acreage across the State. Red and green cabbage, cantaloupes, cilantro, honeydews, lemons and spinach movement in Central Arizona was reported. Western Arizona movement of arugula, cantaloupes, honeydews, mixed and miscellaneous melons, kale, various lettuce including Boston, romaine, green and red leaf lettuce and spinach last week. Thirty-one of the 39 weather stations have received at or above 70 percent of normal precipitation to date. Range and pasture conditions ranged from very poor to excellent, depending on location. Range and pasture conditions were 13% very poor, 15% poor, 32% fair, 36% good and 4% excellent.

ARKANSAS: Days suitable for fieldwork 4.8. Topsoil moisture 1% very short, 18% short, 74% adequate, 7% surplus. Subsoil moisture 2% very short, 20% short, 72% adequate, 6% surplus. Pasture condition 1% very poor, 8% poor, 33% fair, 49% good, 9% excellent. Livestock condition 2% very poor, 1% poor, 26% fair, 62% good, and 9% excellent. Most of the state received precipitation last week. Producers continued to harvest crops as weather permitted.

CALIFORNIA: Days suitable for field work was 7 days. Topsoil moisture 55% very short, 30% short, 15% adequate, and 0% surplus. Subsoil moisture 40% very short, 45% short, 15% adequate and 0% surplus. Weather was moderate across the State with highs in the 70s and lows in the 40s. Desert locations reached 90, while portions of the Sierras dropped into the teens on multiple nights. The weekend brought cooler temperatures to locations state-wide. Much of the State was dry throughout the week, except for the extreme north, where there was light precipitation on several days. Over the weekend it rained over most of the State, with locations receiving between half an inch and one inch. The main exception was the southeast part of the State and the desert areas where very little precipitation fell. Snow fell on much of the Sierras over the weekend. Cotton was harvested. Cotton conditions were 90 percent good or excellent. Sorghum, alfalfa, and corn fields were harvested for silage. Alfalfa continued to be cut and baled. Most of the corn crop has been cut and sent to dairies for silage. Field preparations for winter grains continued and irrigated fields germinated well. Winter wheat was planted and some emerged. Rice harvest was completed in most counties. Replacement, pruning, and fertilization of stonefruit orchards continued. Kiwifruit harvest continued. Late variety table grape harvest was winding down. Pomegranates were harvested with numerous reports of leaf-footed bug infestations. Olives for oil were harvested. Hachiya & Fuyu persimmon and kiwi harvests were near completion. Prunes were packed for export. Packinghouses received navel oranges for domestic consumption, and maturity was progressing well. Harvested Mandarin and Sumo oranges arrived at packinghouses and were treated to improve color. Oro Blanco grapefruit harvest continued and was packed for foreign export. Late variety walnut harvest continued and post-harvest irrigation was underway. Harvested nut orchards were pruned, irrigated, and fertilized. Pistachios were packed for export. Harvest continued for early fall crops

such as broccoli, cauliflower, brussels sprouts, winter squash, pumpkins, and gourds. Many growers continued with fall ground preparation by irrigating, cultivating and fertilizing. Replanting for next season's crops continued. Fall lambing was ongoing. Heavy rains helped the growth of grasses in permanent pastures. Severe drought conditions continued to affect rangeland pastures. Due to the lack of quality feed, supplemental feeding was ongoing for range cattle.

COLORADO: Days suitable for field work 6.9. Topsoil moisture 7% very short, 34% short, 57% adequate, 2% surplus. Subsoil moisture 15% very short, 32% short, 52% adequate, 1% surplus. Dry beans harvested 95%, 97% 2013, 98% avg. Sugarbeets harvested 86%, 68% 2013, 87% avg. Sunflowers harvested 40%, 69% 2013, 65% avg.; condition 1% very poor, 18% poor, 33% fair, 40% good, 8% excellent. Alfalfa 4th cutting 93%, 92% 2013, 86% avg. Livestock condition 2% poor, 21% fair, 65% good, 12% excellent. Warm, dry conditions were prevalent across much of Colorado last week. These conditions were optimal for harvest activities, which showed large gains from the previous week. As hard freezes occurred, standing crops in several localities throughout the southeastern district were dried to an ideal moisture content in preparation for harvesting. Precipitation was generally concentrated to localities along the Western Slope.

DELAWARE: Days suitable for fieldwork, 6.0. Topsoil moisture; 0% very short, 16% short, 72% adequate and 12% surplus. Subsoil moisture; 0% very short, 33% short, 59% adequate and 8% surplus. Pasture and Range Condition; 3% very poor, 16% poor, 43% fair, 34% good, and 4% excellent. Soybean condition; 3% very poor, 12% poor, 25% fair, 41% good, 19% excellent. Alfalfa 5th cutting; 25% this year, 13% last year, 34% five year average. Apples Harvested; 99% this year, 100% last year, 99% five year average. Barley Planted; 63% this year, 98% last year, 95% five year average. Barley Emerged; 44% this year, 65% last year, 43% five year average. Corn for Grain; 92% this year, 97% last year, 95% five year average. Corn for Silage; 98% this year, n/a last year, n/a five year average. Other Hay 4th cutting; 51% this year, 73% last year, 72% five year average. Soybeans dropping leaves; 98% this year, 99% last year, 98% five year average. Soybeans mature; 92% this year, n/a last year, n/a five year average. Soybeans harvested; 28% this year, 51% last year, 52% five year average. Winter wheat planted; 40% this year, 71% last year, 74% five year average. Winter wheat emerged; 27% this year, 49% last year, 51% five year average. Hay and Roughage Supplies; 0% very short, 5% short, 82% adequate and 13% surplus. Field activities should continue to include harvesting soybeans and corn for grain and planting wheat and barley.

FLORIDA: Days suitable for field work; 6.8. Topsoil moisture, 1% very short, 27% short, 66% adequate, 6% surplus. Subsoil moisture, 1% very short, 18% short, 74% adequate, 7% surplus. Cooler, drier week across State. Peanut harvest continued in Panhandle, north Florida. Peanuts harvested at 90 percent. Hay cut in most areas. Cotton, soybean harvesting continued in Holmes, Jackson, Walton counties. Rye grass, oats, winter grazing planting continued in Panhandle. Sugarcane harvesting continued in Hendry, Glades, Palm Beach counties. Vegetables; Southwest Florida harvesting beans, eggplant, peppers, tomatoes, watermelons, squash. Miami-Dade County harvesting, okra, boniato, avocado, malanga, bitter melon, planting snap beans, pole beans, squash, peppers, tomato, eggplant, sweet corn, boniato, malanga, bitter melon. Pasture condition; 4% poor, 35% fair, 57% good, 4% excellent. Cattle condition; 1% poor, 17% fair, 75% good, 7% excellent. Pastures across State, declining seasonally. Only significant rainfall in citrus producing, area 0.31 inches in Kenansville (Osceola County). Rainfall in other citrus producing areas was less than one tenth of an inch. Average temperatures, cool front brought nighttime lows in the mid to upper 40s. Per U.S. Drought Monitor, all citrus producing regions drought free. Early variety fruit harvested for fresh market. Growers, caretakers irrigating, mowing, removing dead trees, resetting new trees. Processing plants open for packinghouse eliminations, a few open for field run.

GEORGIA: Days suitable for fieldwork 6.3. Topsoil moisture 11% very short, 31% short, 54% adequate, 4% surplus. Subsoil moisture 7% very short, 33% short, 58% adequate, 2% surplus. Range and pasture condition 2% very poor, 15% poor, 45% fair, 34% good, 4% excellent. Oats planted 55%, 52% 2013. Onions transplanted 5%, 19% 2013. Pecans harvested 25%, 23% 2013. Rye condition 2% very poor, 6% poor, 39% fair, 42% good, 11% excellent. Rye planted 62%, 60% 2013. Sorghum harvested 78%, 57% 2013. Soybean condition 3% very poor, 9% poor, 30% fair, 52% good, 6% excellent. Soybean harvested 40%, 32% 2013. Winter wheat planted 22%, 17% 2013. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from no rain up to 0.3 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the high 60s to the mid 70s. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 40s to the low 50s.

HAWAII: DATA NOT AVAILABLE

IDAHO: Days suitable for field work 5.8 days. Topsoil moisture 3% very short, 19% short, 77% adequate, 1% surplus. Subsoil moisture 6% very short, 28% short, 66% adequate. Pasture and range conditions 2% very poor, 9% poor, 35%

fair, 46% good, 8% excellent. Winter wheat condition 6% fair, 88% good, 6% excellent. Winter wheat emerged 85%, 78% 2013, 79% avg. Corn for grain harvested 60%, 51% 2013, 37% avg. Hay alfalfa fourth cutting 97%, 98% avg. Sugarbeets harvested 90%, 90% 2013, 86% avg. Temperatures for the week ranged between 1 and 7 degrees above normal. All weather stations reported levels of precipitation. Major agricultural activities for the week included caring for livestock, fall digging, harvesting of sugarbeets, alfalfa, and corn. Winter wheat and pasture conditions benefited from moisture received throughout the week. Significant progress was made in the harvesting of sugarbeets and continued to be in line with historic averages. Alfalfa harvest neared completion. Fall harvest and field work began to wind down. Calves continued to be weaned and shipped. No livestock problems were reported.

ILLINOIS: Days suitable for fieldwork 6.0. Topsoil moisture 6% short, 77% adequate, 17% surplus. Subsoil moisture 1% very short, 9% short, 80% adequate, 10% surplus. Statewide precipitation averaged 0.35 inches, 0.43 inches below normal. The statewide temperature averaged 46.2 degrees, 5.3 degrees below average. Minimal precipitation allowed producers another favorable harvest week.

INDIANA: Days suitable for fieldwork, 4.5. Topsoil moisture 0% very short, 3% short, 74% adequate, 23% surplus. Subsoil moisture 0% very short, 4% short, 83% adequate, 13% surplus. Tobacco cut 98%, 2013 100%, 100% 5ya. Corn moisture content for grain harvested 20%, 2013 18%, 18% 5ya. Soybean moisture content for beans harvested 13%, 2013 13%, 12% 5ya. By region, corn harvested for grain was 53% in the North, 53% in Central, and 76% in South. By region, soybeans harvested was 72% in North, 75% in Central, and 69% in South. By region, winter wheat planted was 81% in North, 80% in Central, and 85% in South. Average temperatures for the week ending November 2 ranged from 44 to 54 degrees, and from 4 degrees below to 3 degrees above normal. The lowest recorded temperature for the week was 18 degrees; the highest, 85 degrees. The statewide average temperature for the week was 46.5 degrees, 4.8 degrees below normal. Recorded precipitation ranged from 0.03 to 1.17 inches, with a statewide average of 0.57 inches. Sporadic precipitation throughout the state this week has slowed harvest completion and has kept farmers extremely busy during breaks in the weather. The late harvest rush is quickly filling up the elevators, leading to delays for several farmers. Some elevators were unable to take corn or soybeans. Winter wheat planting is nearly complete as corn and soybeans are moved off the fields. There is some concern that the delayed harvest may prevent some farmers from getting wheat planted before winter arrives. Other activities for the week included hauling and storing grain, plowing, and cleaning and storing equipment for the upcoming winter.

IOWA: Days suitable for fieldwork 6.4. Topsoil moisture 0% very short, 4% short, 84% adequate, and 12% surplus. Subsoil moisture 1% very short, 5% short, 83% adequate, and 11% surplus. Corn moisture content of grain at harvest 18%, 19% 2013. Grain movement from farm to elevator 13% none, 27% light, 41% moderate, 19% heavy. Off-farm grain storage availability 11% short, 81% adequate, 8% surplus. On-farm grain storage availability 17% short, 78% adequate, 5% surplus. Hay and roughage supplies 0% very short, 3% short, 83% adequate, 14% surplus. Iowa farmers were able to harvest one-quarter of the State's corn crop during the week. Other activities for the week included fall tillage, manure and fertilizer application, corn stalk baling, and hauling grain. Southwest Iowa was the wettest with almost one-third of its topsoil and subsoil in surplus condition. Livestock conditions were normal, with more cattle turned out on corn stalk fields.

KANSAS: Days suitable for fieldwork 6.8. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 8% very short, 23% short, 68% adequate, and 1% surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 13% very short, 26% short, 61% adequate, and 0% surplus. Sunflowers turning yellow 95%, 100% 2013, 98% avg; turning brown 89%, 96% 2013, 93% avg.; harvested 43%, 58% 2013, 56% avg.; conditions 3% very poor, 7% poor, 33% fair, 51% good 6% excellent. Alfalfa fourth cutting 93%, 89% 2013, 89% avg; Stock water supplies were rated 6% very short, 19% short, 74% adequate, and 1% surplus. Average temperatures and little to no precipitation allowed fall harvest to progress. Activities included seeding winter wheat, harvesting row crops and marketing cattle.

KENTUCKY: Days suitable for fieldwork 5.2. Topsoil moisture 3% very short, 10% short, 74% adequate, 13% surplus. Subsoil moisture 2% very short, 12% short, 77% adequate, 9% surplus. Precipitation averaged 0.65 inches, 0.12 inches below normal. Temperatures averaged 50 degrees, 3 degrees below normal. Soybeans dropping leaves 95%, 95% 2013, 99% average; mature 87%, 88% 2013, 96% average. Soybean condition 2% very poor, 6% poor, 25% fair, 53% good, 14% excellent. Winter wheat planted 67%, 48% 2013, 59% average; emerged 34%, 19% 2013. Winter wheat condition 1% very poor, 3% poor, 12% fair, 77% good, 7% excellent. Tobacco stripped 26%, 26% 2013, 23% average. Tobacco housed condition 2% very poor, 3% poor, 20% fair, 60% good, 15% excellent. Tobacco stripped quality 1% very poor,

2% poor, 17% fair, 64% good, 16% excellent. Pasture condition 3% very poor, 12% poor, 30% fair, 48% good, 7% excellent. Livestock condition 1% very poor, 2% poor, 12% fair, 65% good, 20% excellent. Primary activities this week included planting wheat, harvesting corn and soybeans, and tending to livestock.

LOUISIANA: Days suitable for fieldwork, 6.8. Topsoil moisture 7% very short, 38% short, 50% adequate, 5% surplus. Subsoil moisture 4% very short, 31% short, 60% adequate, 5% surplus. Sweet Potatoes harvested 81% this week, 75% last week, 91% last year, 79% average. Sugarcane harvested 32% this week, 23% last week, 30% last year, 35% average. Pecans harvested 30% this week, 23% last week, 30% last year, 37% average. Sugarcane condition 2% very poor, 10% poor, 32% fair, 41% good, 15% excellent. Pecans condition 5% very poor, 18% poor, 33% fair, 39% good, 5% excellent. Vegetables condition 1% very poor, 15% poor, 38% fair, 40% good, 6% excellent. Pasture condition 1% very poor, 15% poor, 38% fair, 40% good, 6% excellent. Livestock condition 0% very poor, 7% poor, 35% fair, 49% good, 9% excellent.

MARYLAND: Days suitable for fieldwork, 6.0. Topsoil moisture; 0% very short, 2% short, 95% adequate and 3% surplus. Subsoil moisture; 0% very short, 2% short, 98% adequate and 0% surplus. Pasture and range condition; 2% very poor, 3% poor, 32% fair, 40% good, and 23% excellent. Soybean condition; 2% very poor, 4% poor, 14% fair, 54% good, 26% excellent. Alfalfa 5th cutting; 49% this year, 43% last year, 48% five year average. Barley Planted; 86% this year, 97% last year, 93% five year average. Barley Emerged; 64% this year, 85% last year, 43% five year average. Corn Harvested for Grain; 81% this year, 91% last year, 89% five year average. Other Hay 3rd cutting; 74% this year, n/a last year, n/a five year average. Other Hay 4th cutting; 27% this year, 52% last year, 46% five year average. Soybean dropping leaves; 92% this year, 97% last year, 96% five year average. Soybeans Mature; 80% this year, n/a last year, n/a five years average. Soybeans Harvested; 44% this year, 53% last year, 56% five average. Winter wheat planted; 73% this year, 83% last year, 81% five year average. Winter wheat emerged; 37% this year, 63% last year, 58 five year average. Hay and Roughage Supplies; 1% very short, 16% short, 78% adequate and 5% surplus. Field activities should continue to include harvesting soybeans and corn for grain and planting wheat and barley.

MICHIGAN: Days suitable for fieldwork 4.5. Topsoil moisture 2% short, 76% adequate, 22% surplus. Subsoil moisture 1% very short, 2% short, 81% adequate, 16% surplus. Dry edible beans harvested 94%, 96% last year, 98% 5-year average. Corn for silage harvested 96%, 100% 5-year average. Alfalfa hay fourth cutting 70%. Moisture content of harvested corn averaged 25%. Moisture content of harvested soybeans averaged 15%. Precipitation for the week ending November 2 ranged between 0.53 inch and 1.26 inches in the Upper Peninsula and between 0.14 inch and 1.54 inches in the Lower Peninsula. Temperatures ranged from 12 degrees to 77 degrees, with a state average of 40.9 degrees Fahrenheit, 3.8 degrees below normal. Cold, windy and wet conditions experienced last week further hampered harvest efforts. High corn moisture content and poor harvest conditions continued to delay corn harvest, but soybean harvest progressed in fields that could support equipment. Producers were also getting fields and equipment ready for winter. Activities for the week included spreading manure, planting wheat, and fall tillage.

MINNESOTA: Days suitable for fieldwork 6.1. Topsoil moisture rated 3% very short, 20% short, 76% adequate, and 1% surplus. Subsoil moisture rated 3% very short, 16% short, 80% adequate, and 1% surplus. Favorable weather conditions across much of Minnesota allowed 30 percent of the state's corn crop to be harvested. This is the most corn harvested during the last week of October in Minnesota in more than 10 years. Moisture levels in late planted corn fields remained an issue for some producers during harvest last week. Soybean harvest remained ahead of normal for the third straight week. Other field activities for the week included fall tillage, fertilizer application, and installation of tile and drainage projects. Some producers had concerns about soil moisture levels after completing fall tillage.

MISSISSIPPI: Days suitable for field work 5.8. Topsoil moisture 8% very short, 24% short, 59% adequate, 9% surplus. Subsoil moisture 8% very short, 23% short, 61% adequate, 8% surplus. Peanuts 92% dug this week, 80% last week, 89% 2013, 78% Avg. Peanuts 79% harvested this week, 68% last week, 75% 2013, 72% Avg. Sorghum 100% mature this week, 99% last week, 100% 2013, 100% Avg. Sorghum 92% harvested for grain or seed this week, 92% last week, 93% 2013, 94% Avg. Sweet Potatoes 83% harvested this week, 63% last week, 92% 2013, 83% Avg. Livestock condition was 0% very poor, 3% poor, 25% fair, 58% good, 14% excellent. Pasture and range condition was 3% very poor, 12% poor, 30% fair, 47% good, 8% excellent. Blueberries condition was 0% very poor, 1% poor, 30% fair, 64% good, 5% excellent. First frost was received throughout the state this week.

MISSOURI: Days suitable for fieldwork 6.0. Topsoil moisture 1% very short, 11% short, 79% adequate, 9% surplus. Subsoil moisture 2% very short, 16% short, 77% adequate, 5% surplus. Hay and roughage supplies 5% short, 85%

adequate, 10% surplus. Stock water supplies 5% short, 90% adequate, 5% surplus. Temperatures averaged 49.2 degrees statewide, 4.2 degrees below normal. Rain averaged 0.22 inches statewide.

MONTANA: Days suitable for field work 6.2, 4.4 last year. Topsoil moisture 3% very short, 4% last year; 18% short, 23% last year; 72% adequate, 72% last year; 7% surplus, 1% last year. Subsoil moisture 3% very short, 6% last year; 16% short, 25% last year; 74% adequate, 67% last year; 7% surplus, 2% last year. Corn for grain 81% harvested, 60% last year. Flaxseed 96% harvested, 100% last year. Potatoes 86% harvested, 100% last year. Sugar beets 100% harvested, 96% last year. Livestock moved from summer ranges – cattle and calves 80% moved, 81% last year. Livestock moved from summer ranges – sheep and lambs 88% moved, 85% last year. Livestock receiving supplemental feed – cattle and calves 19% fed. Livestock receiving supplemental feed – sheep and lambs 34% fed. The week ending November 2 was cooler with some scattered rain and snow storms across the state of Montana. Precipitation varied widely but many stations received at least some measurable precipitation and Superior received the highest amount of precipitation at 1.78 inches of moisture. The high temperatures for Montana ranged from the lower 50s to mid 70s. Low temperatures ranged from the mid teens to the upper 20s.

NEBRASKA: Days suitable for fieldwork 6.8. Topsoil moisture 6% very short, 30% short, 63% adequate, and 1% surplus. Subsoil moisture 7% very short, 27% short, 65% adequate, and 1% surplus. Corn condition 2% very poor, 5% poor, 17% fair, 52% good, 24% excellent. Pasture and range conditions 5% very poor, 7% poor, 34% fair, 47% good, 7% excellent. Stock water supplies 1% very short, 6% short, 92% adequate, and 1% surplus. Clear skies and near normal temperatures allowed good progress to be made on corn harvest. Rain was limited to the extreme northwest. Hard freezing temperatures were noted during the week. Grain moisture levels in standing corn remained above safe storage levels in a number of areas. Livestock producers continued weaning and marketing calves.

NEVADA: Days suitable for fieldwork 5.7. Topsoil Moisture 20% Very Short, 30% Short, 50% Adequate. Subsoil moisture 20% Very Short, 35% Short, 45% Adequate. Alfalfa fourth cutting completed. Corn silage was cut. There were more reports of surface water shut off. Onion and potato harvests completed. Main farm and ranch activities included irrigation, hay harvest, weed and insect control, and livestock tending. Temperatures were normal for the entire State with the greatest departure from normal coming in the North Central region. Las Vegas had a high of 85 degrees and Ely experienced a low of 17 degrees. High scattered clouds passed through most of the State during the later part of the week.

NEW ENGLAND: Days suitable for fieldwork, 4.5. Topsoil moisture; 0% very short, 10% short, 80% adequate and 10% surplus. Subsoil moisture; 0% very short, 12% short, 75% adequate, 13% surplus. Cranberries all progress (MA); 80% harvested. Corn for silage progress; 100% harvested. Hay all progress; 93% fourth cutting.

NEW JERSEY: Days suitable for fieldwork, 6.0. Topsoil moisture; 1% very short, 13% short, 78% adequate and 8% surplus. Subsoil moisture; 0% very short, 10% short, 80% adequate and 10% surplus. Apples all progress; 89% harvested. Corn all progress; 93% mature and 50% harvested for grain. Hay Alfalfa all progress; 50% fourth cutting. Other Hay all progress; 95% third cutting and 40% fourth cutting. Soybeans all progress; 35% harvested. Corn all conditions; 1% very poor, 8% poor, 29% fair, 50% good, 12% excellent. Soybeans all conditions; 1% very poor, 3% poor, 27% fair, 60% good, 9% excellent. There was heavy raining in some counties. There was no reported frost this week. Cover crops are being planted. Following crop being harvested: Acorn squash, beets, broccoli, cauliflower, carrots, cabbage, collards, dill, eggplant, green onions, lettuce, leeks, sweet corn, summer dandelion, kale, mustard greens, parsley, radishes, spinach, sweet potatoes, Swiss chard and white potatoes.

NEW MEXICO: Days suitable for fieldwork 6.9. Topsoil moisture 29% very short, 25% short, 44% adequate and 2% surplus. Subsoil moisture 27% very short, 29% short, 42% adequate and 2% surplus. All crops freeze damage 1% moderate, 4% light, 95% none. All crops hail damage 100% none. All crops wind damage 4% severe, 26% moderate, 6% light, 64% none. Alfalfa sixth cutting 90%, 91% last year, 91% avg. Corn harvested for grain 41%, 72% last year, 69% avg; condition 3% very poor, 4% poor, 26% fair, 34% good, 33% excellent. Cotton bolls opening 88%, 100% last year, 99% avg; harvested 20%, 14% last year, 31% avg; 2% very poor, 4% poor, 52% fair, 25% good, 17% excellent. Lettuce harvested 60%, 37% last year, 46% avg; condition 37% fair, 63% good. Peanuts harvested 60%, 74% last year, 63% avg; 3% very poor, 19% poor, 71% fair, 7% good. Pecan nut set 10% heavy, 80% moderate, 10% light; condition 24% fair, 60% good and 16% excellent. Red chilies harvested 42%, 41% last year, 49% avg; condition 2% poor, 44% fair, 54% good. Sorghum condition 3% poor, 28% fair, 64% good, 5% excellent. Winter wheat emerged 89%, 99% last year, 94% average; condition 80% fair, 17% good, 3% excellent. Cattle and calves condition 2% very poor, 9% poor, 37% fair, 45%

good, 7% excellent. Sheep and lambs condition 18% very poor, 24% poor, 30% fair, 28% good. Temperatures across New Mexico ranged from 1 to 12 degrees above normal during the week. A Pacific storm system moved across the region on Sunday, bringing rain and high mountain snow across the state. Chama, at 0.75 inch, and Deming, at 0.41 inch, received the largest precipitation amounts. Curry County reported cooler temperatures later in the week which dipped below the freezing point; however the effects on crop condition had yet to be determined. Pasture and field conditions were still good. Wheat had emerged and was growing, though it appears later than usual and portions of the crop showed enough growth to consider grazing livestock at this point. A few areas had significant grasshopper damage and acreage has been replanted. Some native pasture also had grasshopper damage which may affect grazing through the winter. Livestock numbers coming to auction and shipping were increasing weekly, though most people think the duration of higher numbers will be shorter than normal due to lower overall livestock numbers. Rio Arriba County reported that days have been real warm allowing farmers and ranchers to do all essential fall activities with ease.

NEW YORK: Days suitable for fieldwork, 5. Topsoil moisture, 0% very short, 7% short, 71% adequate, 22% surplus. Subsoil moisture, 0% very short, 9% short, 77% adequate, 14% surplus. Fall Tillage, 76% this week, 72% last week. Corn Mature, 88% this week, 80% last week. Corn Harvested for Grain, 27% this week, 20% last week, 38% previous year, 39% average. Corn Silage Harvested, 91% this week, 87% last week, 95% previous year, 96% average. Hay Alfalfa Fourth Cutting, 81% this week, 75% last week. Hay Alfalfa Fifth Cutting, 24% this week, 8% last week. Hay Other Fourth Cutting, 75% this week, 73% last week. Potatoes Harvested, 83% this week, 82% last week, 96% previous year, 93% average. Soybeans Dropping Leaves, 95% this week, 93% last week. Soybeans Harvested, 57% this week, 45% last week, 64% previous year, 64% average. Winter Wheat Planted, 92% this week, 89% last week. Winter Wheat Emerged, 72% this week, 59% last week, 70% previous year, 14% average. Apples Harvested, 87% this week, 86% last week, 92% previous year, 92% average. Grapes Harvested, 82% this week, 77% last week, 93% previous year, 95% average. Corn condition, 1% very poor, 3% poor, 18% fair, 54% good, 24% excellent. Hay Alfalfa condition, 2% very poor, 5% poor, 25% fair, 54% good, 14% excellent. Hay Other Than Alfalfa condition, 2% very poor, 7% poor, 33% fair, 47% good, 11% excellent. Pasture and Range condition, 12% very poor, 12% poor, 31% fair, 37% good, 8% excellent. Soybeans condition, 1% very poor, 5% poor, 22% fair, 53% good, 19% excellent. Winter Wheat condition, 0% very poor, 0.04% poor, 0.25% fair, 0.55% good, 0.16% excellent. Field activities for the week include hauling and spreading manure, plowing of fields, mowing and bailing hay, mowing pastures, spraying of trees, and fixing machinery.

NORTH CAROLINA: Days suitable for field work 5.7. Topsoil moisture 1% very short, 19% short, 76% adequate and 4% surplus. Subsoil moisture 1% very short, 16% short, 79% adequate and 4% surplus. Many central and western counties received light rain and most temperatures were slightly above normal for the week. Reported crop progress data for the week showed soybeans leaf drop at 93% and harvest at 30%. Cotton harvested at 50%. Reports for corn harvested for grain rose to 96%. Burley tobacco harvested is at 93%. Sweet potato harvest is at 86%, peanut harvest rose to 80%. Apple harvest rose to 94%. Small grain planting continued to progress with barley reported at 58%, wheat at 37% and oats planted at 46%.

NORTH DAKOTA: Days suitable for fieldwork 6.2. Topsoil moisture 1% very short, 14% short, 80% adequate, 5% surplus. Subsoil moisture 1% very short, 9% short, 83% adequate, 7% surplus. Winter wheat emerged 92%, 91% 2013; condition 1% very poor, 1% poor, 32% fair, 57% good, 9% excellent. Corn mature 98%, 100% 2013; 93% avg.; condition 1% very poor, 6% poor, 19% fair, 55% good, 19% excellent. Sunflowers condition 2% very poor, 6% poor, 19% fair, 61% good, 12% excellent. Pasture and range condition 1% very poor, 6% poor, 22% fair, 60% good, 11% excellent. Stock water supplies 1% very short, 4% short, 85% adequate, and 10% surplus. Significant progress was made on corn and sunflower harvest. Temperatures varied across the state, with most areas near or above normal. Continued dry conditions allowed fall tillage and fertilizer applications to proceed. Livestock producers were busy hauling hay and weaning calves.

OHIO: Days suitable for fieldwork 4.8. Topsoil moisture 2% very short 10% short, 68% adequate, 20% surplus. Subsoil moisture 1% very short 11% short, 73% adequate, 15% surplus. Average temperatures recorded around the State ranged from 45 to 52 degrees or five degrees below to six degrees above normal. The lowest recorded temperature was 20 degrees and the highest was 81 degrees. The statewide average temperature for the week was 46.6 degrees, 3.5 degrees cooler than normal. Recorded precipitation ranged from 0.12 to 1.22 inches, with a statewide average of 0.48 inches. Farmers spent the majority of last week harvesting corn and soybeans, and planting winter wheat. Moisture content of harvested corn averaged 21%, 19% 2013, NA 5YA. Moisture content of harvested soybeans averaged 13%, 14% 2013, NA 5YA.

OKLAHOMA: Days suitable for fieldwork 6.5. Topsoil moisture 16% very short, 44% short, 39% adequate, 1% surplus. Subsoil moisture 31% very short, 42% short, 27% adequate, 0% surplus. Oats seedbed preparation 73% this week, 71% last week, 86% last year, 82% average. Oats planted 33% this week, 28% last week, 56% last year, 49% average. Rye condition 4% very poor, 11% poor, 53% fair, 30% good, 2% excellent. Rye planted 96% this week, 93% last week, 99% last year, 99% average. Rye emerged 88% this week, 80% last week, 93% last year, 94% average. Canola emerged 91% this week, 84% last week, 95% last year, N/A average. Alfalfa fourth cutting 93% this week, 92% last week, 93% last year, 77% average; fifth cutting 62% this week, 51% last week, 42% last year, N/A average. Other Hay second cutting 92% this week, 90% last week, 87% last year, 79% average. Livestock condition 1% very poor, 3% poor, 28% fair, 59% good, 9% excellent. Pasture and range condition 6% very poor, 15% poor, 37% fair, 38% good, 4% excellent. Row crop harvest was in full swing last week with soybeans reaching 60 percent by Sunday, 8 points ahead of normal. Sorghum harvest reached 73 percent completion, up 11 points from last week. Eighty-nine percent of corn was harvested, up 11 points from last week, but 6 points behind normal. Other row crop harvest continued in line with their normal averages. Winter wheat and rye seeding continued to progress, reaching 95 and 96 percent, respectively. Crop conditions continued to be rated mostly good to fair. The state received minimal rainfall last week, with each district averaging less than 0.12 of an inch. Moisture was needed to encourage growth for some early sown wheat in areas of the Panhandle and Southwest. Temperatures averaged in the mid 50's across the state, with the lowest temperature recorded at 22 degrees at Nowata on Saturday, November 1st, and the highest recorded at 91 degrees at Mangum on Monday, October 27th. Topsoil and subsoil moisture conditions were rated mostly adequate to short.

OREGON: Days suitable for field work 4.5. Topsoil Moisture 8% Very Short, 34% Short, 54% Adequate, 4% Surplus. Subsoil Moisture 14% Very Short, 42% Short, 43% Adequate, 1% Surplus. Range and Pasture 6% Very Poor, 26% Poor, 45% Fair, 22% Good, 1% Excellent. Winter Wheat Planted 96%, 96% 2013, 94% avg. Winter Wheat Emerged 62%, 59% 2013, 59% avg. Winter Wheat Condition 2% Very Poor, 3% Poor, 56% Fair, 36% Good, 3% Excellent. Winter Wheat was Growing Well in Oregon. Days suitable for fieldwork were 4.5. Pasture and range conditions were reported to be 6% very poor, 26% poor, 45% fair, 22% good and 1% excellent. In western Oregon ground temperatures have not dropped too much so grass and wheat were showing excellent growth. Grass seed, grain crops, and cover crops were all in good shape. Hazelnut harvest was almost over. The rains have caused a few delays in harvesting walnut and late maturing vegetable crops. Grass was greening up nicely. In eastern Oregon most fall wheat planting was completed. Producers were going back over spots and sweetening up the crop with over seeding. Pear harvest was completed and apple harvest was almost complete. Some livestock producers were starting to ship cattle to their winter pastures in California, about a month early.

PENNSYLVANIA: Days suitable for fieldwork, 5.0. Topsoil moisture, 8% very short, 8% short, 78% adequate, 6% surplus. Subsoil moisture, 7% very short, 11% short, 78% adequate, 4% surplus. Hay alfalfa fourth cutting, 90% this week, 98% last year, 94% average. Apples harvested, 92% this week, 96% last year, 96% average. Barley planted, 93% this week, 96% last year, 94% average. Barley Emerged, 83% this week, 95% last year, 83% average. Corn Harvested for Grain, 51% this week, 64% last year, 59% average. Fall Tillage, 78% this week, n/a last year, n/a average. Grapes harvested, 83% this week, 89% last year, n/a average. Potatoes harvested, 95% this week, 100% last year, 100% average. Soybeans dropping leaves, 95% this week, n/a last year, n/a average. Soybeans Harvested, 63% this week, 75% last year, 59% average. Winter Wheat planted, 90% this week, 87% last year, 81% average. Winter Wheat emerged, 79% this week, 73% last year, 63% average. Quality of hay made, 1% very poor, 7% poor, 31% fair, 40% good, 21% excellent. Soybeans condition, 0% very poor, 1% poor, 12% fair, 63% good, 24% excellent. Field activities for the week included harvesting and planting.

SOUTH CAROLINA: Days suitable for fieldwork 5.9. Topsoil Moisture 0% very short, 32% short, 68% adequate, 0% surplus. Subsoil Moisture 3% very short, 28% short, 69% adequate, 0% surplus. Pasture and Range condition 0% very poor, 7% poor, 40% fair, 51% good, 2% excellent. Livestock condition 0% very poor, 1% poor, 31% fair, 65% good, 3% excellent. Soybeans condition 0% very poor, 4% poor, 19% fair, 64% good, 13% excellent. Soybeans Coloring 99%, 83% 2013. Soybeans Dropping Leaves 83%, 62% 2013. Soybeans mature 75%, 59% 2013. Soybeans Harvested 35%, 19% 2013. Peanuts Harvested 85%, 88% 2013. Wheat Planted 43%, 23% 2013. Wheat Emerged 16%, 7% 2013. Oats Planted 41%, 29% 2013. Oats Emerged 16%, 18% 2013. The state average temperature for the seven-day period was near the long-term average. The state average rainfall for the seven-day period was 0.5 inches.

SOUTH DAKOTA: Days suitable for fieldwork 6.3. Topsoil moisture 1% very short, 27% short, 71% adequate, 1% surplus. Subsoil moisture 1% very short, 25% short, 73% adequate, 1% surplus. Winter wheat emerged 85%, 82% 2013,

77% avg. Sunflower bracts turning brown 94%. Harvested 48%, 30% 2013, 60% avg. Condition 0% very poor, 2% poor, 36% fair, 55% good, 7% excellent. Stock water supplies 3% very short, 19% short, 75% adequate, 3% surplus. Dry conditions and limited precipitation dominated the weather pattern across most area of the state last week.

TENNESSEE: Days suitable for fieldwork 4.4. Topsoil moisture 1% very short 8% short, 79% adequate, 12% surplus. Subsoil moisture 2% very short, 10% short, 82% adequate, 6% surplus. Corn harvested for grain, 96%. Cotton bolls opening 98%, cotton harvested, 52%. Soybeans harvested 62%. Winter wheat planted, 60%, emerged, 30%. Cotton condition, 1% very poor, 2% poor, 24% fair, 55% good, 18% excellent. Winter wheat condition, 1% poor, 23% fair, 60% good, 16% excellent. Pasture and Range condition 1% very poor, 10% poor, 33% fair, 50% good, 6% excellent. Other activities included feeding hay.

TEXAS: Days suitable for fieldwork 6.7. Topsoil moisture 18% very short, 45% short, 36% adequate, 1% surplus. Subsoil moisture 18% very short, 46% short, 35% adequate, 1% surplus. Corn mature 99%, 100% 2013, 100% avg. Sorghum coloring 100%, 100% 2013, 98% avg. Soybeans dropping leaves 89%, 97% 2013, 98% avg. Oats planted 81%, 80% 2013, 82% avg. Oats emerged 36%, 64% 2013, 57% avg. Peanut condition 6% very poor, 12% poor, 27% fair, 47% good and 8% excellent. Range and pasture condition 10% very poor, 20% poor, 40% fair, 26% good and 4% excellent. Some areas of Texas received rainfall last week, while others remained dry. Cooler nighttime temperatures resulted in adequate moisture in South Texas and South Central Texas. Areas of the Trans-Pecos, Cross-Timbers and East Texas experienced scattered showers, while many other areas received little to no precipitation. Producers in the Panhandle reported that early-seeded winter wheat and oats were off to a good start, but were in need of rainfall to sustain growth. Emerging oats were slowed due to lack of moisture in areas of the Edwards Plateau, while early-seeded oats made good progress due to rainfall in South Texas. Cotton harvest was underway in areas of the Northern Low Plains and the Edwards Plateau. Ginning of cotton was active in areas of South Texas. Corn harvest progressed in the Northern High Plains as dry fields aided fieldwork. In areas of the Southern High and Low Plains early planted grain sorghum was being harvested. In South Texas, some peanut harvest was slowed due to recent rainfall. Harvest of early-maturing pecan varieties continued in South Central Texas, while harvest was wrapping up in areas of South Texas. In the Lower Valley, planting of onions and cabbage was active. Spinach, onions and cabbage benefitted from recent irrigation in areas of South Texas. Signs of fall armyworms activity continued to cause problems in pastures in many areas of the Blacklands. Supplemental feeding of livestock continued in South Texas. Fall cattle work was underway as producers continued to sell market ready calves and cull cows. Livestock condition was mostly good to excellent with some grazing of stockers occurring on early-planted wheat fields.

UTAH: Days suitable for field work 6.6. Topsoil moisture 2% very short, 39% short, 58% adequate, 1% surplus. Subsoil moisture 5% very short, 36% short, 58% adequate, 1% surplus. Winter wheat planted 96%, 97% 2013, 95% 5-yr avg; emerged 91%, 86% 2013, 76% 5-yr avg. Alfalfa hay fourth cutting 95%, 99% 2013, 97% 5-yr avg. Corn mature 94%, 99% 2013, 95% 5-yr avg; harvested 58%, 69% 2013, 54% 5-yr avg; silage harvested 98%, 100% 2013, 98% 5-yr avg.; condition 9% fair, 63% good, 28% excellent. Apples harvested 90%, 89% 2013, 94% 5-yr avg. Onions harvested 97%, 99% 2013, 99% 5-yr avg. Cattle moved from summer range 92%, 91% 2013, 94% 5-yr avg. Cattle and calves condition 16% fair, 69% good, 15% excellent. Sheep moved from summer range 96%, 92% 2013, 94% 5-yr avg. Sheep and lamb condition 14% fair, 79% good, 7% excellent. Stock water supplies 7% very short, 24% short, 69% adequate. Garfield County reported very mild, fall weather. They could use some precipitation to settle the dust and build up soil moisture for next spring's green up. Beaver County reported fall work has progressed greatly because of the nice weather. Field work in Cache County is virtually done for the season. Some growers are harvesting corn for grain and there is a bit more winter wheat to be planted, as well as some fall tillage. Most of the fall harvest is complete in Box Elder County. Many producers report they will wrap up corn harvest in the next week. A few farmers are wrapping up the fourth crop harvesting of alfalfa fields. Ranges in Beaver County are drying out, ranchers are finishing getting cattle off the range and getting the calves weaned and sold or moved to the feedlot. In Cache County, lots of beef calves were weaned and shipped last week. Cows will continue to graze until it starts to snow.

VIRGINIA: Days suitable for fieldwork 5.7. Topsoil moisture 2% very short, 19% short, 74% adequate, 5% surplus. Subsoil moisture 5% very short, 23% short, 69% adequate, 3% surplus. Cotton 1% fair, 77% good, 22% excellent. Cotton bolls opening 99%, 100% 2013, 100% 5-yr avg. Cotton harvested 36%, 34% 2013, 57% 5-yr avg. Peanuts dug 100%, 100% 2013, 95% 5-yr avg. Peanuts harvested 90%, 87% 2013, 80% 5-yr avg. Corn for grain harvested 88%, 93% 2013, 93% 5-yr avg. Soybeans 5% poor, 22% fair, 62% good, 11% excellent. Soybeans dropping leaves 95%, 93% 2013, 97% 5-yr avg. Soybeans harvested 44%, 38% 2013, 41% 5-yr avg. Winter wheat seeded 42%, 52% 2013, 56% 5-yr avg. Barley

17% fair, 75% good, 8% excellent. Barley seeded 88%, 86% 2013, 91% 5-yr avg. Flue-cured tobacco harvested 98%, 100% 2013, 98% 5-yr avg. Livestock 1% very poor, 6% poor, 27% fair, 54% good, 12% excellent. Alfalfa hay 20% poor, 34% fair, 42% good, 4% excellent. Other hay 3% very poor, 18% poor, 33% fair, 43% good, 3% excellent. All apples harvested 87%. A cold front moved across the Old Dominion this week. Temperature lows were in the 30s, with some locations reporting lows in the 20s. In the Blue Ridge Mountains, 2 to 3 inches of snow were reported; however, overall precipitation was scattered and light. Days suitable for fieldwork were 5.7. Farmers made good progress on the soybean harvest. Early planted soybean yields were coming in lower than late planted beans due to the dry weather experienced in June. Flue-cured tobacco growers wrapped up the harvest this week, and just in time before frost damage. In addition to the soybean and tobacco harvest, producers made favorable progress with the corn, peanuts, and cotton harvest. Other farming activities for the week included selling cattle, planting small grains and cover crops, sampling soil, applying lime, scheduling winter educational meetings, and making seed purchase plans for next year.

WASHINGTON: Days suitable for field work 4.7 days. Topsoil Moisture 12% Very Short, 31% Short, 54% Adequate, 3% Surplus. Subsoil Moisture 16% Very Short, 45% Short, 37% Adequate, 2% Surplus. Range and Pasture 12% Very Poor, 15% Poor, 44% Fair, 26% Good, 3% Excellent. Winter Wheat Planted 100%, 97% 2013, 99% avg. Winter Wheat Emerged 78%, 82% 2013, 85% avg. Winter Wheat Condition 4% Very Poor, 10% Poor, 60% Fair, 25% Good, 1% Excellent. Corn Condition 0% Very Poor, 3% Poor, 34% Fair, 50% Good, 13% Excellent. Corn Mature 93%, 94% 2013, 90% avg. Corn Harvested for Grain 54%, 63% 2013, 55% avg. Corn for Silage Harvested 97%, 98% 2013, 96% avg. Hay 4th cutting 97%, 100% 2013, 97% avg. Rain Helps Pasture Conditions in Washington. Days suitable for fieldwork were 4.7. Pasture and range conditions were reported to be 12% very poor, 15% poor, 44% fair, 26% good, and 3% excellent. In western Washington unseasonably mild temperatures with increased rainfall persisted throughout the week. Standing water was present in many fields. The wet conditions prevented much of the field work from taking place. In eastern Washington recent rains helped improve moisture conditions for dry land winter wheat. Potato harvest was almost complete. There was a very large apple harvest. A few late apple varieties like Fuji and Cripps Pink came into the packinghouses. Early winter pruning of cherry orchards was underway. There was an excellent grape harvest. Vegetable production had tapered off. New seeding hay crops looked excellent. Cattle were turned out onto pastures. There was adequate forage and ranchers were waiting to start supplemental feed.

WEST VIRGINIA: Days suitable for fieldwork 5. Topsoil moisture was 2% very short, 7% short, 85% adequate, and 6% surplus, compared to 18% short, 79% adequate, and 3% surplus last year. Subsoil moisture was 4% very short, 17% short, 75% adequate, and 4% surplus, comparison data not available. Corn was 95% mature, 93% in 2013, 5-year avg. not available. Corn was 75% harvested for grain, 45% in 2013, and 56% 5-year avg. Soybeans were 59% harvested, 29% in 2013, and 58% 5-year avg. Winter wheat was 70% planted, 38% in 2013, and 77% 5-year avg. Winter wheat was 43% emerged, 18% in 2013, and 53% 5-year avg. Apples were 91% harvested, 89% in 2013, 5-year avg. not available. Cattle and calves were 1% poor, 20% fair, 69% good, and 10% excellent. Sheep and lambs were 1% poor, 18% fair, 72% good, and 9% excellent. Farming activities included planting winter wheat and harvesting apples, corn for grain, and soybeans. Frosts were widespread throughout the State.

WISCONSIN: Days suitable for fieldwork 5.6. Topsoil moisture 4% short, 83% adequate and 13% surplus. Subsoil moisture 6% short, 83% adequate, and 11% surplus. Corn for silage 92%, 96% 2013, 98% avg. Hay, alfalfa, fourth cutting 95%, 92% 2013, 95% avg. Hay and roughage supplies 4% short, 81% adequate, 15% surplus. Winter wheat planted 89%, n.a. 2013, n.a. avg, emerged 70%, n.a. 2013, n.a. avg, condition 4% poor, 28% fair, 56% good, 12% excellent. Fall tillage 41%, 37% 2013, 35% avg. Daytime temperatures on Monday of this week were in the 70s across much of the state. But by Friday, highs were barely making it out of the 30s, with overnight lows plunging into the teens and 20s. The cold front brought snow to central and northern Wisconsin, with amounts ranging from a dusting to over an inch. Some lodging of corn was also reported due to high winds associated with this system. In spite of the cold snap, overall dry conditions helped harvest activity to progress quickly this week. Topsoil moistures were down slightly, allowing farmers in wet areas to access more of their fields. Soybean harvest was racing toward completion, with corn being harvested for silage, snaplage, and high moisture grain. Corn for dry grain was being combined statewide, though reporters noted that many farmers were still holding off harvest due to high grain moistures. Manure hauling, tillage, and late winter wheat planting continued as fields were cleared. Reporters commented that hay stocks were variable this year, as frequent rains made it difficult to access hay stands and make dry hay. However, overall hay and roughage supplies were up over last year, with 4 percent short statewide compared to 26 percent short in 2013. Across the reporting stations, average temperatures were 1 degree below to 2 degrees above normal. Average high temperatures ranged from 52 to 56 degrees, while average low

temperatures ranged from 30 to 38 degrees. Precipitation ranged from 0.00 inches in Eau Claire and La Crosse to 0.11 inches in Madison.

WYOMING: Days suitable for fieldwork 7.0. Topsoil moisture 6% very short, 16% short, 78% adequate, 0% surplus. Subsoil moisture 7% very short, 18% short, 75% adequate, 0% surplus. Sugarbeets harvested 88%, 73% 2013, 84% 5-yr avg. Winter wheat emerged 81%, 100% 2013, 100% 5-yr avg; condition 24% fair, 62% good, 14% excellent. Corn mature 98%, 100% 2013, 98% 5-yr avg, harvested for grain 40%, 34% 2013, 46% 5-yr avg; condition 4% very poor, 7% poor, 11% fair, 78% good, 0% excellent. Dry beans harvested 94%, 88% 2013, 96% 5-yr avg. Livestock condition 10% fair, 73% good, 17% excellent. Crop insect infestation 17% light, 83% none. Irrigation water supplies 4% poor, 2% fair, 81% good, 13% excellent.

Statistical Methodology

Survey Procedures: Crop progress and condition estimates included in this report are based on survey data collected each week from early April through the end of November. Additionally, survey respondents are contacted four times during the winter season – once per month in December, January, February, and March. The non-probability crop progress and condition surveys include input from approximately 4,000 respondents whose occupations provide them opportunities to make visual observations and frequently bring them in contact with farmers in their counties. Based on standard definitions, these respondents subjectively estimate the progress of crops through various stages of development, as well as the progress of producer activities. They also provide subjective evaluations of crop and soil moisture conditions. Any weather data mentioned in this report is provided by outside sources such as the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and Agricultural Weather Information Service (AWIS).

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