GREEN PEAS FOR PROCESSING - COMMENTS ON CROP DEVELOPMENT
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COMMENTS BY STATES

MAINE: Planting is expected to start about May 15.

NEW YORK: Cold, wet weather has delayed planting. Planting is expected to progress rapidly for the next several weeks with late plantings continuing into late May.

NEW JERSEY: Cool, wet weather has delayed late plantings. Germination of early planted fields is good but growth has been slowed by cool weather.

PENNSYLVANIA: Cold, wet weather has delayed planting.

MARYLAND & DELAWARE: Planting is nearing completion in both States, but crop progress is about a week later than normal. Cold, wet weather interrupted planting schedules and slowed germination and growth of late plantings.

VIRGINIA: Planting was completed on April 15.

NORTH CAROLINA: Planting was completed on April 22. Early planted fields have good stands.

GEORGIA: Early planted fields are making fair progress but some fields need rain. Warmer temperatures are needed for good development.

ILLINOIS: Planting is behind schedule because of the late spring and cold, wet weather.
MICHIGAN: Wet fields delayed planting in most areas.

WISCONSIN: Planting started April 20, delayed a week to 10 days by cold, wet weather.

MINNESOTA: Planting began April 17 but wet, cold weather has slowed subsequent plantings.

IOWA: Planting has been slowed by wet, cold weather.

IDAHO: Planting is behind schedule due to inclement weather.

COLORADO: Planting delayed by dry topsoil conditions, but is expected to be completed by mid-May.

UTAH: Planting is behind schedule due to inclement weather.

WASHINGTON: In western areas, planting is progressing after being delayed by early wet, cold weather. A few fields which have already emerged appear in good condition. In eastern Washington, planting is nearly over. Plants are in good condition, but growth is relatively slow because of prolonged cool weather.

OREGON: Planting is completed in the Willamette Valley and is nearly over in Umatilla County. Preparations for planting in Union County are underway. Early seeded peas are up, but cool weather held back plant growth.

CALIFORNIA: Harvest started about mid-April in the south coast area and late April in the central valley area. Stands are good but vine growth is shorter than normal.

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