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**ALABAMA:** Days suitable for fieldwork 6.4. Topsoil 50% very short, 32% short, 18% adequate, 0% surplus. Corn 76% silked, 55% 2005, 57% avg.; condition 30% very poor, 22% poor, 34% fair, 14% good, 0% excellent. Soybeans 97% planted, 89% 2005, 81% avg.; 87% emerged, 72% 2005, 66% avg.; 6% blooming, 9% 2005, 4% avg.; condition 7% very poor, 26% poor, 44% fair, 23% good, 0% excellent. Pasture condition 24% very poor, 35% poor, 31% fair, 10% good, 0% excellent. Livestock condition 3% very poor, 16% poor, 46% fair, 30% good, 5% excellent. Most Alabama producers received rainfall from storms that pushed across the state over the weekend. County extension agents indicated that even with the moisture that fell, crops throughout most of the state are in desperate need of more. Temperatures across the state were well above average as they pushed the mercury above the century mark for the first time this summer.

**ARIZONA:** Temperatures for the State were above normal for the week ending June 25. Precipitation was reported at 4 of the 22 reporting stations. Willcox received the lowest precipitation at 0.03 inches. All of the reporting stations are at below normal precipitation for the year to date. Alfalfa condition remains mostly fair to good. Range and pasture conditions remain very poor to poor. Squaring has occurred on 55 percent of the cotton acreage and 15 percent of the cotton acreage have set bolls. Conditions remain very poor to poor. Squaring has occurred on 55 percent of the cotton acreage and 15 percent of the cotton acreage have set bolls. Willcox and Yuma received the most at 0.10 inches of precipitation. Paloma received the lowest precipitation at 0.03 inches. All of the reporting stations are at below normal precipitation for the year to date. Alfalfa condition remains mostly fair to good. Range and pasture conditions remain very poor to poor. Squaring has occurred on 55 percent of the cotton acreage and 15 percent of the cotton acreage have set bolls. Cotton condition is mostly fair to good.

**ARKANSAS:** Days suitable for fieldwork 6.0. Soil 5% very short, 32% short, 59% adequate, 4% surplus. Corn 92% silked, 74% prev week, 65% prev year, 68% 5-year avg.; 3% doughed, 0% prev week, 0% prev year, 0% 5-year avg. Soybean 98% planted, 96% prev week, 95% prev year, 92% 5-year avg.; 94% emerged, 87% prev week, 88% prev year, 85% 5-year avg.; 19% emerged, 0% prev week, 7% prev year, 10% 5-year avg. Sorghum 16% headed, 2% prev week, 4% prev year, 18% 5-year avg. Cotton 88% squared, 68% prev week, 80% prev year, 75% 5-year avg.; 9% bolls set, 0% prev week, 1% prev year, 4% 5-year avg. Winter wheat 99% harvest, 96% prev week, 92% prev year, 86% 5-year avg. Corn 0% very poor, 3% poor, 26% fair, 54% good, 17% excellent. Cotton 1% very poor, 8% poor, 40% fair, 40% good, 11% excellent. Rice 1% very poor, 6% poor, 27% fair, 50% good, 16% excellent. Sorghum 0% very poor, 5% poor, 50% fair, 37% good, 8% excellent. Soybeans 4% very poor, 13% poor, 36% fair, 40% good, 7% excellent. Hay-Alfalfa 0% very poor, 4% poor, 68% fair, 28% good, 0% excellent. Hay-Other 1% very poor, 8% poor, 40% fair, 47% good, 4% excellent. Pasture, range 0% very poor, 11% poor, 35% fair, 47% good, 7% excellent. Warm temperatures accelerated the silk stage on the corn crop with 92% of the crop reported silked. The corn crop began the dough stage last week with most of the crop in good condition. Soybean plants were 19% bloomed which is well ahead of its normal rate. Crop emergence was at 94% complete with the crop in fair to mostly good condition. Sorghum headed was at 16% complete. Sorghum crop condition was mostly fair to good condition. Cotton squared remained ahead of its normal rate with 88% of the crop squared. The crop began to set bolls last week with conditions holding at fair to good. Wheat harvest was nearly complete. Livestock remained in good condition. Hay and pasture conditions improved slightly and remained in fair to mostly good condition. Alfalfa hay conditions were in mostly fair to good condition.

**CALIFORNIA:** The need for irrigation increased with the hot weather. Rice was emerging from flooded fields, and some fields were treated with herbicides. Dry bean planting was complete in some areas. Sunflower and seed crop planting continued. Onions for seed were blooming. Lettuce for seed was maturing, with some fields treated to control insects. Corn and cotton progressed well. Cotton growers cultivated fields and applied fertilizer. Alfalfa was cut and baled. Sugar beet harvest of last year’s crop was on-going, while this year’s crop was irrigated, cultivated and sprayed with fungicides. Safflower fields were in full bloom. Wheat harvest continued. Stone fruit harvest continued to see volume increase in peaches, plums and nectarines in all districts for picking and packing. Varieties picked and packed included Sweet Scarlet and Zee Diamond peaches, Black Splendor and Santa Rosa plums, Diamond Cut and Poppy apricots, Flavorosa pluots, and June Pearl and Diamond Bright nectarines. Pomegranates continued to flourish. Grapes continued with stem elongation. Table grape season may be a few weeks behind normal. Table grapes were bunched and thinned. Irrigation, cultivation, suckering vines, pulling leaves and fungicide treatments were the cultural practices reported for vineyards. Fig harvest began. Strawberry harvest approached completion with the arrival of high temperatures in the Central Valley, while picking continued in the coastal area. Blueberry, blackberry, and boysenberry harvest continued. The new citrus fruit crop continues to size and develop. Irrigation increased in order to deal with rising temperatures. Navel orange harvest started to slow down. The Valencia harvest remained steady although Valencia growers are concerned with fruit drop. Harvest continued for lemons. The fruit qualities of lemons were reportedly still good and volumes increased. Almond and pistachio nuts continued to develop and size normally. Almond orchards were treated for leaffooted bug, worms, and hoppers. Walnuts continued to do well. A few sunburned walnut trees have been whitewashed. Walnut growers increased soil amendments and continued pesticide applications. Planting of fresh market tomato, cantaloupe, honeydew, and freezing freezer bean continued. Processing tomato and watermelon planting was complete in most areas and fields were treated with fertilizer and baits for cutworm control. Transplanting of late season melons continued. Several fields of garlic and onions were in various stages of harvest, while younger fields continued to be treated with herbicide, fungicide, and insecticide. Treatment for worms in some fresh market tomato fields and cucumber beetle in some melon fields continued. Early varieties of fresh market tomatoes, peppers, carrots, cucumbers, squash, zucchini, were...
harvested. Various Asian vegetables continued to be harvested as well as amaranth, basil, dandelion, daikon, eggplant, green beans, and mustard greens. Cattle movement from dry foothill pastures was finishing up. Many cattle have moved to valley and mountain summer pastures or to market the past few weeks. A few of the final special feeder cattle auctions were being held. Some beef cows remained on dry foothill pastures where grass was ample. Sheep, mainly stock ewes, were grazing on small grain hay fields, retired farmland and alfalfa fields. Hot temperatures caused water to become scarce and periods of dryness continue to affect production. Higher temperatures accelerated the mountain snow melt resulting in high water levels in rivers and lakes. Bees were pollinating melon, cucumber and small grain fields in central California.

COLORADO: Days suitable for fieldwork 6.2. Topsoil 35% very short, 37% short, 23% adequate, 5% surplus. Subsoil 40% very short, 43% short, 17% adequate, 0% surplus. The dry warm conditions reported over the past few months have caused winter wheat to mature early. Harvest to begin ahead of schedule. Hail coupled with scattered showers has halted winter wheat harvesting in several areas along the Eastern Plains. Spring wheat harvested, 70% due to heavy weekend rains. Portions of fields observed are underwater. Barley, wheat harvesting halted short, 17% adequate, 0% surplus. Soya beans 94% planted, 89% 2005, 91% avg. Sorghum 6% very poor, 21% poor, 39% fair, 33% good, 1% excellent; 91% planted, 77% 2005, 84% avg. Apples 7% very poor, 10% poor, 30% fair, 40% good, 13% excellent. Hay 17% very poor, 34% poor, 33% fair, 16% good. Peaches 1% very poor, 21% fair, 78% good; 33% harvested, 41% 2005, 43% avg. Peanuts 53% blooming, 53% 2005, 61% avg. Pecans 7% very poor, 30% poor, 36% fair, 26% good, 1% excellent. Tobacco 4% very poor, 9% poor, 3% fair, 88% good, 1% harvested, 4% 2005, 4% avg. Watermelons 1% very poor, 5% poor, 39% fair, 48% good, 7% excellent; 39% harvested, 10% 2005, 34% avg. The state continues to suffer from agricultural drought, with only southeast Georgia experiencing near normal conditions. The weekend brought scattered showers, although some locations reported more than 3 inches of rainfall, more is desperately needed. Weeklong highs averaged in the mid 90s, with some locations registering over 100 degrees. Lows were in the upper 60s.

GEORGIA: Days suitable for field work 6.3. Soil 36% very short, 41% short, 22% adequate, 1% surplus. Corn 40% dough, 18% 2005; 39% avg.; 5% dent, 2% 2005; 9% avg. Soybeans 94% planted, 89% 2005, 91% avg. Sorghum 6% very poor, 21% poor, 39% fair, 33% good, 1% excellent; 91% planted, 77% 2005, 84% avg. Apples 7% very poor, 10% poor, 30% fair, 40% good, 13% excellent. Hay 17% very poor, 34% poor, 33% fair, 16% good. Peaches 1% very poor, 21% fair, 78% good; 33% harvested, 41% 2005, 43% avg. Peanuts 53% blooming, 53% 2005, 61% avg. Pecans 7% very poor, 30% poor, 36% fair, 26% good, 1% excellent. Tobacco 4% very poor, 9% poor, 3% fair, 88% good, 1% harvested, 4% 2005, 4% avg. Watermelons 1% very poor, 5% poor, 39% fair, 48% good, 7% excellent; 39% harvested, 10% 2005, 34% avg. The state continues to suffer from agricultural drought, with only southeast Georgia experiencing near normal conditions. The weekend brought scattered showers, although some locations reported more than 3 inches of rainfall, more is desperately needed. Weeklong highs averaged in the mid 90s, with some locations registering over 100 degrees. Lows were in the upper 60s.

FLORIDA: Topsoil 22% very short, 43% short, 35% adequate. Subsoil 20% very short, 50% short, 30% adequate. Rainfall range: traces, Frostproof, Marianna, Monticello, Pensacola, Tallahassee, to over 3.75 in. Apopka. Some southwestern coast, central Peninsula localities received unofficial totals of at least 4.0 in. Many northern Peninsula, Panhandle areas mostly dry. Temperature average: major cities, mostly normal. Daytime highs: mostly 80s, 90s. Nighttime lows: 60s, 70s. Low pressure system in Atlantic moved over central Peninsula at end of week bringing welcomed rains to most areas; scattered rainfall left some localities dry. Continued drought, Panhandle, affecting crop growth; corn stunted. Santa Rosa County. Tobacco pulling getting underway, northern Peninsula. More rain desperately needed for adequate peanut yields. Peanut condition 48% poor, 33% fair, 14% good, 5% excellent. Peanuts pegged: 35%; 28% last year; 46% 5-year average. Soil moisture improved in areas receiving rain. Localities skipped by rain, drought conditions still exist. Soil moisture very short to short, Panhandle; adequate supplies, Wakulla, Jackson, Jefferson counties. Less rain northern Peninsula caused drop to very short supplies, some localities of Baker, Suwannee. Soil moisture content, southern Peninsula short to adequate: very short supplies in St. Lucie, Hernando. Most vegetable harvesting, central, southern Peninsula, finished for season. Miami-Dade County: growers continued okra cutting between showers. Harvesting, northern Peninsula, Panhandle lasted mostly active, mostly clear weather sped progress. Other vegetables marketed: cantaloupes, sweet corn, peppers, potatoes, tomatoes, watermelons. Tropical wave brings moisture to most of State, heaviest rainfall in northern citrus areas, lighter in lower interior, southern. Temperatures hot early in week, moderate later, harvest continues on Valencia oranges, over for other crops. Panhandle: pasture very poor to good, drought limiting grass growth. North: pasture poor to good, most in poor condition. Central, southwest: most pasture in fair condition due to drought, pasture at some locations slightly better due to rain of week ago. Statewide: pasture very poor to good, most in fair condition. Pasture Feed: 5% very poor, 25% poor, 65% fair, 5% good. Cattle Condition: 5% very poor, 10% poor, 70% fair, 10% good, 5% excellent.

HAWAII: As a high pressure system developed north of the Aloha State, stronger trade winds blew early in the week ending June 25, 2006. Few isolated windward showers occurred early in the week, abundant sunshine prevailed over much of the islands. From midweek through the end of the week, trades weakened bringing more scattered showers over windward, mountain areas. Moderate to heavy irrigation was required by the parched fields in the leeward areas as they remained dry during the week. Harvesting was active statewide as fruit development of crops continued to progress with the aid of good weather conditions.

IDAHO: Days suitable for fieldwork 6.9. Topsoil 2% very short, 10% short, 84% adequate, 4% surplus. Winter wheat 100% jointed, 98% boot stage, 90% headed, turning color: 6%, 3% 2005, 8% average. Spring wheat 81% jointed, 57% boot stage. Barley 84% jointed, 55% boot stage. Oats 97% emerged, 99% 2005, 100% average. Potatoes 12% high: 45%, 17% 2005, 40% avg.; closing middles: 8%, 6%, 2005, 11% average. Alfalfa Hay 1st cutting harvested 84%, 75% 2005, 78% average. Irrigation water supply 2% fair, 35% good, 63% excellent.
ILLINOIS: Days suitable for fieldwork 5.6. Topsoil 8% very short, 34% short, 56% adequate, 2% surplus; Corn avg. height 44 in., 43 in. 2005, 39 in. avg.; Winter Wheat 98% turning yellow, 98% 2005, 97% avg. 87% ripe, 85% 2005, 81% avg. Oats 92% headed, 98% 2005, 90% avg.; 67% filled, 72% 2005, 57% avg.; 21% turning yellow, 39% 2005, 23% avg.; 5% ripe, 12% 2005, 7% avg. 2% harvested, 2% 2005, 1% avg. Alfalfa 2nd cut crop 38%, 43% 2005, 28% avg. Red Clover cut 94%, 95% 2005, 90% avg. Oats condition 1% very poor, 2% poor, 18% fair, 62% good, 17% excellent. alfalfa condition 2% poor, 21% fair, 56% good, 21% excellent. Red clover condition 1% poor, 17% fair, 62% good, 20% excellent. Pasture condition 1% very poor, 7% poor, 24% fair, 50% good, 18% excellent. Statewide precipitation was slightly below normal last week, with only the Northwest and East Southeast districts receiving above average normal rainfall. Some areas of the state have not had much accumulation during the last three weeks as precipitation has been apportioned. With above normal temperatures last week, topsoil moisture conditions declined from last week. Corn is growing rapidly, as the average height jumped 14 inches last week. Corn has just started silking in a few areas of the state. Nearly all of the single-crop soybeans have emerged, with some just starting to bloom. Farmers in the southern half of the state were busy planting double-crop soybeans last week after harvesting their wheat. Farmers were also busy mowing pastures and roadways, baling hay, spraying herbicides, hauling grain, and reporting crop acreages at the local FSA office.

INDIANA: Days suitable for fieldwork 4.1. Topsoil 1% very short, 9% short, 64% adequate, 26% surplus. Subsoil 1% very short, 6% short, 72% adequate, 21% surplus. Farmers continue to spray corn and soybean fields for weeds. Corn 99% emerged, 100% 2005, 99% avg.; condition 2% very poor, 10% poor, 31% fair, 47% good, 10% excellent. Soybeans 97% planted, 100% 2005, 97% avg.; 93% emerged, 99% 2005, 94% avg.; condition 2% very poor, 8% poor, 31% fair, 52% good, 7% excellent. Winter wheat harvest is gaining momentum, moving northward. A limited amount of disease problems have been reported. Winter wheat 24% harvested, 26% 2005, 30% avg.; condition 1% very poor, 4% poor, 17% fair, 56% good, 22% excellent. Pastures 0% very poor, 2% poor, 14% fair, 70% good, 14% excellent. Hay 1st cutting of is nearly complete with some operations beginning 2nd cutting. Alfalfa 1st cutting of complete 91%, 100% 2005, 94% avg. Livestock are in mostly good condition with adequate pasture. Average temperatures ranged from normal to 5° above normal with a high of 96° and a low of 46°. The state experienced scattered thunderstorms during the week with some reports of hail and wind damage to crops and buildings. Precipitation averaged from .37 to 3.89 inches. Activities Included: Spraying chemicals, preparing equipment for wheat harvest, side dressing corn, scouting fields for insects, cutting, baling hay, mowing roadways, ditches, and taking care of livestock.

IOWA: Days suitable for fieldwork 5.0. Topsoil 16% very short, 27% short, 54% adequate, 3% surplus. Subsoil 16% very short, 29% short, 53% adequate, 2% surplus. State Light showers across the state were welcomed. In some southern Iowa counties, it was the first measurable precipitation since the first week of May, and more rain is still needed to replenish subsoil moisture. Cooler days have helped conserve moisture, most of Iowa’s row crops look surprisingly good, but hay is light, pastures are short in dry counties. Areas with plenty of precipitation for row crops complain of poor quality hay from too many rainy days. Spraying crops and haying were the primary activities for the week. Oats 93% headed, an increase of 21 percentage points from last week. This was equal to last week. Corn 97% filled, 72% 2005, 61% avg.; 21% turning yellow, 39% 2005, 23% avg.; 5% ripe, 12% 2005, 7% avg. 2% harvested, 2% 2005, 1% avg. Corn height 44 in., 43 in. 2005, 39 in. avg.; condition 1% very poor, 3% poor, 18% fair, 62% good, 17% excellent. The corn stand was 97% normal of average height 14 inches last week. Corn has just started silking in a few areas of the state. Nearly all of the single-crop soybeans have emerged, with some just starting to bloom. Farmers in the southern half of the state were busy planting double-crop soybeans last week after harvesting their wheat. Farmers were also busy mowing pastures and roadways, baling hay, spraying herbicides, hauling grain, and reporting crop acreages at the local FSA office.

KENTUCKY: Days suitable for fieldwork 4.6. Topsoil 5% very short, 22% short, 56% adequate, 17% surplus. Subsoil 6% very short, 21% short, 64% adequate, 9% surplus. For the week temperatures averaged 75°, which was 1° above normal. Precipitation statewide was 0.85 in., 0.04 in. below normal. Single-crop soybeans acres 98% planted 100%, avg. 94%. Double-crop soybean acres 56% planted, 62% 2005, 58% avg.; 91% emerged, 93% 2005, 75% avg.; Emerged soybean height averaged 8 in. No soybeans were reported blooming. Corn 20% tasseling or tasseled, 14% 2005, 28% avg.; 8% silked or silking, 8% 2005, 15% avg. Dam weather has impeded the wheat harvest. As of Sunday, June 25, 67% of tobacco transplants were under 12 inches in height, 26% 12-24 inches, and 7% over 24 inches. Blue mold was the most prevalent disease reported on tobacco. Tobacco condition 3% poor, 18% fair, 64% good, 15% excellent. Winter wheat 62% harvested, 2005 60%, avg. 65%. Barley 94% harvested, 97% 2005, 97% avg. Pasture condition 1% very poor, 6% poor, 25% fair, 54% good, 14% excellent.

LOUISIANA: Days suitable for fieldwork 5.5. Soil 31% very short, 39% short, 30% adequate, 0% surplus. Corn 1% very poor, 7% poor, 43% fair, 49% good, 0% excellent; 99% silked, 97% last week, 97% in 2005, 96% avg.; 46% dough, 25% last week, 15% in 2005, 33% avg. Soybeans 99% planted, 98% last week, 98% in 2005, 95% avg.; 32 setting pods, 19% last week, 19% in 2005, 11% avg. Barley 0% very poor, 15% poor, 32% fair, 49% good, 4% excellent. Oats 0% very poor, 4% poor, 17% fair, 62% good, 17% excellent; 95% turned, 93% 2005, 88% avg.; 1% very poor, 21% fair, 56% good, 22% excellent. Red clover condition 1% poor, 4% poor, 17% fair, 56% good, 22% excellent. Alfalfa 1% cutting of complete 91%, 100% 2005, 94% avg. Livestock are in mostly good condition with adequate pasture. Average temperatures ranged from normal to 5° above normal with a high of 96° and a low of 46°. The state experienced scattered thunderstorms during the week with some reports of hail and wind damage to crops and buildings. Precipitation averaged from 0.13 inches southwest Lower Peninsula to 1.88 inches southeast Lower Peninsula. Average temperatures ranged from normal northwest, west central, east central Lower Peninsula to 2 degrees.
above normal eastern Upper Peninsula and central Lower Peninsula. Showers across the State helped plant growth. Corn development varied by soil conditions and planting times. Color improved in most fields with improved growing conditions. Some spraying and nitrogen application done. Some spraying done on soybeans. Growth variable, but improving. First cuttings of hay completed. Second cuttings growing quickly where there was rain. Reports of potato leaffoppers. Wheat continued turning. Heavy winds blew down portions of fields, but little lasting damage was reported. Many oats have headed. Dry bean planting finished. Sugarbeets turning and is at 14 percent. Spring wheat, durum wheat, barley, oats are fully emerged, well into boot. Winter wheat condition 1 very poor, 2% last year, 6% poor, 10% last year, 30% fair, 34% last year, 47% good, 39% last year, 16% excellent, 15% last year; 93% headed, 78% last year; 14% turning. Spring wheat 66% boot, 56% last year; 21% headed, 17% last year; condition 1 very poor, 1% last year, 3% poor, 3% last year, 27% fair, 19% last year, 63% good, 66% last year, 6% excellent, 11% last year. Durum wheat boot is 49%, 43% last year; condition is 1 very poor, 1% last year, 6% poor, 12% last year; 2005 fair, 13% last year, 59% good, 54% last year, 6% excellent, 16% last year. Barley is 69% boot, 62% last year; 23% headed, 21% last year; condition 1 very poor, 1% last year, 3% poor, 2% last year, 28% fair, 22% last year, 47% good, 58% last year, 21% excellent, 17% last year. Oats 74% boot, 55% last year, 41% headed, 17% last year; condition 1 very poor, 1% last year, 7% poor, 3% last year, 20% fair, 18% last year, 63% good, 64% last year, 9% excellent, 16% last year. Alfalfa 1st cutting is complete 14%, 10% last year, 28% fair, 41% last year, 56% good, 54% last year, 6% excellent, 16% last year. Alalfa 2nd cutting taken 25%, 15% last year, 10% avg. Proso Millet 62% planted, 57% 2005, 74% avg. Dry

MINNESOTA: Days suitable for fieldwork 5.3. Topsoil 6 very short, 21% short, 70% adequate, 3% surplus. Corn 28 in. height, 21 in. 2005, 18 in. avg. Soybeans 8 in. height, 6 in. 2005, 6 in. avg. Oats 95% jointed, 81% 2005, 82% avg. Barley 82% jointed, 73% 2005, 67% avg. Spring Wheat 90% jointed, 69% 2005, 66% avg. Sweet Corn 97% planted, 82% 2005, 91% avg. Alfalfa hay 1st cutting 98%, 78% 2005, 79% avg. Pasture feed 2% very poor, 8% poor, 26% fair, 50% good, 14% excellent. Alfalfa 2% very poor, 5% poor, 21% fair, 55% good, 17% excellent. Sugar beets 1 very poor, 6% poor, 21% fair, 47% good, 25% excellent. Crop conditions improved slightly as scattered showers increased topsoil moisture supplies across the state. Rainfall totals ranged from one-third of an inch in the north to over one inch in some locations in the south. The first cutting of alfalfa was nearly complete while some producers in the Central region were beginning the second cutting. Isolated areas of Carver County sustained heavy hail damage as a storm front passed through the area on the weekend. The average temperature for the week was 66.7º, 0.2º below normal.

MISSISSIPPI: Days suitable for fieldwork 5.8. Soil 41 very short, 36% short, 23% adequate. Corn 92% silked, 75% 2005, 79% avg.; 40% dough, 11% 2005, 23% avg.; 6% very poor, 16% poor, 32% fair, 39% good, 7% excellent. Cotton 100% emerged, 100% 2005, 100% avg.; 72% squaring, 62% 2005, 63% avg.; 16% setting bolls, 3% 2005, 8% avg.; 3% very poor, 9% poor, 1% fair, 52% good, 11% excellent. Wheat 100% 2005, NA avg.; 3% poor, 18% fair, 50% good, 29% excellent. Rice 5% heading, 2% 2005, 2% avg.; 1% very poor, 4% poor, 15% fair, 69% good, 11% excellent. Sorghum 34% heading, 13% 2005, 24% avg.; 4% poor, 13% fair, 80% good, 3% excellent. Soybeans 100% planted, 100% 2005 100% avg.; 100% emerged, 99% 2005, 99% avg.; 80% blooming, 63% 2005, 50% avg.; 46% setting pods, 29% 2005, 19% avg.; 2% very poor, 12% poor, 1% fair, 49% good, 11% excellent. Wheat 100% 2005, 100% avg.; 99% harvested, 96% 2005, 93% avg.; 4% poor, 36% fair, 37% good, 23% excellent. Hay 99% (Harvested Cool), 100% 2005, 100% avg.; 34% (Harvested Warm), 44% 2005, 40% avg.; 8% very poor, 24% poor, 25% fair, 40% good, 3% excellent. Sweetpotatoes 70% planted, 60% 2005, 70% avg.; 5% poor, 12% fair, 71% good, 12% excellent. Watermelons 40% harvested, 27% 2005, 19% avg.; 47% fair, 50% good, 3% excellent. Blueberries 4% poor, 27% fair, 61% good, 8% excellent. Cattle 2% very poor, 17% poor, 30% fair, 39% good, 12% excellent. Pasture 17% very poor, 30% poor, 26% fair, 25% good, 2% excellent. Scattered rainfall during the week helped many row crops that were suffering from drought-like conditions. In spite of the rain that fell for many areas, there were still others that did not receive much, if any, rain. Livestock are responding well to the improving pasture conditions. Minimal amounts of insecticides have been required at this time.

NEBRASKA: Days suitable for fieldwork 5.3. Topsoil 20% very short, 37% short, 43% adequate, 0% surplus. Subsoil 33% very short, 46% short, 21% adequate, 0% surplus. Most of the state received less than an inch of precipitation with largest amounts received across the Panhandle, southern third of the state. Temperatures were mostly below normals. Wheat 93º turning color. 77% 2005, 76% avg.; 43% ripe, 15% 2005, 18% avg. Wheat harvest has begun. Oats 94% headed, 90% 2005, 88% avg. Sorghum 94º emerged, 95% 2005, 95% avg. Alfalfa 5% very poor, 15% poor, 40% fair, 35% good, 5% excellent; 2nd cutting taken 25%, 15% 2005, 10% avg. Proso Millet 62% planted, 57% 2005, 74% avg. Dry
Beans 86% emerged, 80% 2005, 80% avg. Pasture, range conditions 15% very poor, 29% poor, 38% fair, 17% good, and 1% excellent.

NEVADA: Days suitable for fieldwork 7.0. Temperatures advanced crop development and caused drying of lower Meadow hay cutting was underway as well. Crop conditions remained generally good. Potato, onion fields were in very good condition; some garlic fields were in poor condition. Irrigation water supplies remained adequate, irrigation was active. Cattle were being rotated on Summer ranges. Mormon crickets, grasshoppers remained a major issue across northern Nevada. Activities: Moving cattle, sheep, hay harvest, irrigating, weed and pest control.

NEW ENGLAND: Days suitable for field work 5.1. Topsoil 60% adequate, 40% surplus. Subsoil 62% adequate, 38% surplus. Pasture condition 3% poor, 5% fair, 73% good, 15% excellent. Maine Potatoes 100% planted, 100% 2005; 100% fair, 90% emerged, 65% 2005, 80% average; condition excellent/good. Rhode Island Potatoes condition good/excellent. Massachusetts Potatoes 85% emerged, 100% 2005, 100% average; condition good. Maine Oats condition good/excellent. Maine Barley condition good/excellent. Field Corn 90% planted, 99% 2005, 95% avg.; 75% emerged, 90% 2005, 85% average; condition fair/good. Sweet Corn 95% planted, 95% 2005, 95% avg.; 70% emerged, 80% 2005, 80% average; condition good/fair. Shade Tobacco condition good in Massachusetts and good/fair in Connecticut. Broadleaf Tobacco 95% planted; 95% 2005; 85% average; condition good in Massachusetts and good/fair in Connecticut. Hay 1st Crop harvested 40%, 60% 2005, 60% average; condition good/excellent in Maine, fair/good elsewhere. Apples: Fruit size average; condition good/fair. Peaches: Fruit size average; condition fair/good in Connecticut and good elsewhere. Pears: Fruit size average; condition fair/good. Strawberries 30% harvested, 20% 2005, 20% average; Fruit size average; condition good/poor in Connecticut, good/fair in New Hampshire, and good elsewhere. Massachusetts Cranberries: Early Bloom, condition good. Highbush Blueberries: Fruit size average/above average in Maine, and average elsewhere; condition good/fair Maine and good elsewhere. Maine Wild Blueberries: Fruit size above average/average; condition good/excellent. Maine Raspberry condition was in mostly good to excellent condition with 10% silked. Cattle conditions 9% very poor, 17% poor, 56% fair, 7% good, 11% excellent. Sheep 5% very poor, 33% poor, 55% fair, 7% good. Ranges, pastures are needing moisture with conditions reported as 40% very poor, 43% poor, 15% fair, 2% good. Farmers and ranchers report some rain in a few counties, however, more rain is needed. Winds are picking up, the weather is still hot. Ranchers continue to supplement feed and haul water with continued reports of difficulty obtaining hay.

NEW YORK: Days suitable for fieldwork 4.6. Soil 12% short, 50% adequate, 38% surplus. Pasture conditions 5% poor, 23% fair, 52% good, 20% excellent. Corn for grain was 96% planted compared to 94% last year. Clover Timothy was 47% harvested compared to 73% a year ago. Dry beans were 67% planted compared to 94% last year. Grass silage was 68% harvested compared to 89% a year ago. Corn showed good improvement with the heat. Lack of drying days prevented dry hay harvest for a lot of producers. In the Lake Erie fruit region, hot sunny weather pushed most Concord, Niagara vineyards through most of bloom, along with most wine varieties that had not started as of last week. With the hot weather in the Finger Lakes region, most early varieties blasted right through bloom, and later vinifera, hybrid varieties were about at 50% bloom. Vegetable planting continued. Tomato planting was 85% complete compared to 98% last year. Planting of lettuce was 94% complete. Sweet corn planting for fresh market was 85% complete behind last years 100%.

NORTH CAROLINA: Days suitable for field work 5.2. Soil 4% very short, 10% short, 58% adequate, 28% surplus. Activities Included: Planting sorghum, sweetpotatoes, burley tobacco, cutting hay, harvesting potatoes, peaches, small grains. Another week of scattered showers brought much needed rain to the western part of the State. Most areas of the State experienced above normal temperatures with highs ranging from 88 to 100 degrees.

NORTH DAKOTA: Days suitable for fieldwork 6.3. Topsoil 15% very short, 32% short, 52% adequate, 1% surplus. Subsoil 13% very short, 24% short, 61% adequate, 2% surplus. Crop conditions declined last week due to continued dry weather. Late week thunderstorms produced only limited amounts of precipitation in scattered locations across the state. Durum wheat 67% jointed, 61% 2005, 46% avg.; 30% boot, 25% 2005, 17% avg.; 14% headed, 10% 2005, 6% average. Barley 94% jointed, 81% 2005, 70% avg.; 70% boot, 50% 2005, 36% avg.; 6% milk, 2% 2005, 1% average. Spring wheat 92% jointed, 82% 2005, 71% avg.; 72% boot, 50% 2005, 40% avg.; 8% milk, 2% 2005, 1% average. Oats 89% jointed, 81% 2005, 73% average; 71% boot, 53% 2005, 41% avg.; 10% milk, 1% 2005, 1% average. Canola 94% rosette, 79% 2005, 73% average; 45% blooming; 36% 2005, 24% average. Dry Edible Beans 10% blooming, 1% 2005, 1% average. Dry edible peas 54% flowering, 32% 2005, average not available. Flaxseed 17% blooming, 14% 2005, 5% average. Potatoes 33% blooming, 9% 2005, 4% avg.; 6% rows filled, 0% 2005, 1% average. Sunflower 98% emerged, 90% 2005, 90% average. Emerged crop conditions ratings: Durum Wheat 1% very poor, 5% poor, 19% fair, 57% good, 18% excellent. Canola 1% very poor, 6% poor, 19% fair, 57% good, 17% excellent. Dry Edible Beans 0% very poor, 7% poor, 33% fair, 53% good, 7% excellent. Dry Edible Peas 1% very poor, 6% poor, 18% fair, 63% good, 12% excellent. Flaxseed 1% very poor, 6% poor, 30% fair, 54% good, 9% excellent. Potatoes 3% very poor, 14% poor, 28% fair, 45% good, 10% excellent. Sugarbeets 0% very poor, 4% poor, 24% fair, 61% good, 11% excellent. Sunflower 1% very poor, 10% poor, 27% fair, 54% good, 8% excellent. Broadleaf and wild oats spraying were 90% and 93%, respectively. Stockwater supplies 11% very short, northwest corner remaining warm and dry. Wind damage 22% light, 8% moderate, 5% severe. Farmers spent the week irrigating, harvesting, baling hay. Alfalfa 1% very poor, 2% poor, 21% fair, 61% good, 15% excellent; 2nd cutting complete 92%, 3rd cutting complete 47%. Irrigated sorghum was reported in good condition and 87% planted. Dry sorghum was reported as very poor to poor condition and 100% planted. Total sorghum 96% planted, conditions 35% very poor, 21% poor, 10% fair, 34% good. Irrigated winter wheat condition was reported as poor to good with 17% harvested. Dryland wheat condition was reported as very poor to poor with 83% harvested. Total wheat 53% very poor, 18% poor, 12% fair, 16% good, 1% excellent; 61% harvested. Peanuts were reported as fair to excellent; 15% pegged. Pecan conditions were fair to excellent. Cotton 19% fair, 52% good, 29% excellent; 54% squaring, 8% setting bolls. Chile condition was in fair to excellent condition. Onions were in fair to excellent condition with 65% harvested. Celery condition was in fair to excellent condition with 10% silked. Carrots condition 9% very poor, 17% poor, 56% fair, 7% good, 11% excellent. Sheep 5% very poor, 33% poor, 55% fair, 7% good. Ranges, pastures are needing moisture with conditions reported as 40% very poor, 43% poor, 15% fair, 2% good. Farmers and ranchers report some rain in a few counties, however, more rain is needed. Winds are picking up, the weather is still hot. Ranchers continue to supplement feed and haul water with continued reports of difficulty obtaining hay.

NEW MEXICO: Days suitable for field work 6.9. Topsoil 53% very short, 35% short, 12% adequate. The week started out dry and warm, but by mid week moisture had increased across the eastern plains. Some severe weather developed across the east but some beneficial rains were received as well. By the weekend, moisture reached western portions of the state, but activity was still generally isolated while more widespread thunderstorms moved across the east. Roy, Clovis both reported over an inch of rain. Though the week ended up a little cooler most locations, temperatures for the week averaged 2 to 10° above normal, with the
18% short, 69% adequate, 2% surplus. Alfalfa 1st cutting complete 54%, Other hay complete 29%. Hay condition 16% very poor, 21% poor, 32% fair, 28% good, 3% excellent.

**OHIO:** Days suitable for field work 3.7. Topsoil 1% very short, 5% short, 59% adequate, 35% surplus. Soybeans 98% emerged, 99% 2005, 90% avg.; 6% blooming, 4% 2005, 2% avg. Winter wheat 96% turning color, 79% 2005, 81% avg.; 3% ripe, 3% 2005, 8% avg. Oats 90% headed, 78% 2005, 73% avg.; 1% ripe, 1% 2005, 2% avg. Cucumbers 73% planted, 87% 2005, 73% avg. Strawberries 80% harvested, 77% 2005, 82% avg. Alfalfa hay 1st cutting 95%, 95% 2005, 81% avg.; 2nd cutting 1%, 11% 2005, 8% avg. Other hay 1st cutting 86%, 84% 2005, 68% avg.; 2nd cutting 4%, 4% 2005, 3% avg. Corn condition 2% very poor, 7% poor, 25% fair, 48% good, 18% excellent. Hay condition 0% very poor, 6% poor, 21% fair, 57% good, 16% excellent. Oats condition 0% very poor, 2% poor, 35% fair, 51% good, 12% excellent. Pasture condition 1% very poor, 6% poor, 24% fair, 54% good, 15% excellent. Soybean condition 3% very poor, 10% poor, 29% fair, 45% good, 13% excellent. Strawberries condition 1% very poor, 5% poor, 27% fair, 51% good, 16% excellent. Winter wheat condition 2% very poor, 4% poor, 24% fair, 49% good, 21% excellent. Rainy, stormy weather last week throughout the state curtailed most farm activities. Cutting, baling hay as the weather permitted were the main field activities last week. Operators in drier areas of the state were able to replant some of their soybeans, side dress corn, spray for weeds in corn and soybeans fields. Activities included: Scouting for pests, preparing for winter wheat harvest, and mowing pastures. Major storms, rainfall were reported throughout the northern counties of Erie, Huron, Lorain, Lucas, Sandusky and Medina last week. Rainfall was reported to be 2 to 7 inches in Erie county. Huron county reported the worst flooding in 60 years. Lorain county had 6 inches of rain over 4 days, and Sandusky county reported 3.2 inches to 7.5 inches on Wednesday night. Most counties in the region are reporting blown down wheat and oat acreage from the strong winds that accompanied the storms. Corn and soybean fields were also flooded by the heavy rains. As of this report, the extent of the damage has not been determined.

**OKLAHOMA:** Days suitable for fieldwork 5.4. Topsoil 34% very short, 34% short, 29% adequate, 3% surplus. Subsoil 48% very short, 31% short, 18% adequate, 3% surplus. Wheat plowed 57% this week, 44% last week, 30% last year, 35% average. Rye harvested 96% this week, 90% last week, 65% last year, 56% ave.; plowed 64% this week, 54% last week, 22% last year, 11% average. Oats harvested 87% this week, 82% last week, 75% last year, 72% avg.; plowed 60% this week, 45% last week, 25% last year, 13% average. Corn very poor, 12% poor, 31% fair, 19% good, 1% excellent. Corn very poor, 33% fair, 34% good, 3% excellent; silking 39% this week, 24% last week, 39% last year, 33% avg.; 13% 1% this week, 7% last week, 7% last year, 8% average. Sorghum emerged 73% this week, 66% last week, 58% last year, 69% average. Soybeans 2% very poor, 3% poor, 46% fair, 37% good, 12% excellent; seedbed prepared 97% this week, 92% last week, 93% last year, 95% avg.; planted 90% this week, 81% last week, 85% last year, 86% avg.; 67% emerged this week, 91% last week, 73% last year, 79% avg.; blooming 6% this week, 4% last week, 6% last year, 6% average. Peanuts 2% setting pods this week, 1% last week, 8% last year, 2% average. Cotton 91% emerged this week, 87% last week, 92% last year, 96% average. Alfalfa 15% very poor, 22% poor, 31% fair, 27% good, 5% excellent; 2nd cutting 82% this week, 76% last week, 88% last year, 83% avg.; 3rd cutting 11% this week, 9% last week, 30% last year, 14% average. Other Hay very poor, 33% poor, 19% fair, 3% good, 1% excellent; 1st cutting 71% this week, 66% last week, 75% last year, 77% avg.; 2nd cutting 3% this week, 2% last week, 7% last year, 5% average. Watermelon running 85% this week, 75% last week, 89% last year, 94% average; setting fruit 65% this week, 54% last week, 63% last year, 67% avg.; 1% harvested this week, N/A last week, N/A last year, 4% average. Livestock 17% very poor, 29% poor, 35% fair, 19% good. Pasture, range 23% very poor, 31% poor, 33% fair, 19% good, 2% excellent. Fruits and vegetables were impacted by the wet conditions. Grass seed crops in Marion County are maturing a couple of weeks early. Wheat, barley are showing vigorous growth in areas of Washington County. The Klamath Basin is showing good growth on the second cutting of hay. Spraying, fertilizing, cultivating, irrigating continued in Malheur County. The hot weather over the weekend impacted winter wheat, barley in Union County, as the grain heads are still filling. Winter wheat in Wasco County is maturing rapidly with the onset of the hot weather. However, spring barley, wheat are still green. Vegetables: Vegetable sales at the Farmers Market have been good. Irrigation is in full swing for vegetables. Sweet corn was looking good throughout Western Oregon, showing tassels in some areas. The night-time temperatures have been a benefit for the tomatoes, peppers, basil. Potatoes looking good. Fruits, Nuts: There were reports of early cherries cracking in the Willamette Valley. Harvesting continued but there has been a shortage of pickers reported in Yamhill County. Winds calmed in Hood River allowing growers to catch up on coding moth, cherry fruit spraying. Brine cherry harvest was in full swing, with Bing cherry harvest just beginning in Wasco County. In southwest Oregon, the cherries were ripe, some were being sold to directly to customers. The grape bloom looking good so far but there were reported reports of the crop. Processed strawberry harvest was nearing completion in some areas. The raspberry crop was starting to mature, with some berries harvested. Early variety blueberries were just getting to market. Blackberries just blooming in some areas, being harvested in other areas. Nurseries, Greenhouses: Greenhouses into summer activities. Nurseries are irrigating more than normal because of the extreme heat in the northern Willamette Valley. Newly planted Christmas trees looking good but there is concern about the very dry, hot weather. Livestock, Range, Pasture: Pastures, rangeland continued to be in good condition throughout the State but hot weather starting to show. Still lots of good pasture feed, so all livestock looking good. Some late weaning of fall calves. Some new calves still appearing in the pastures.

**PENNSYLVANIA:** Days suitable for fieldwork 3. Soil 15% short, 60% adequate, 25% surplus. Corn 100% emerged, 97% 2005, 91% avg.; height 23 inches, 22 inches 2005, 22 inches avg.; condition 1% very poor, 5% poor, 31% fair, 40% good, 23% excellent. Barley 94% ripe, 52% 2005, 65% avg.; 60% harvested, 37% 2005, 37% avg. Winter wheat 95% turning yellow, 72% 2005, 70% avg.; 37% ripe, 2% 2005, 7% avg.; 10% harvested, condition 1% poor, 22% fair, 60% good, 17% excellent. Oats 71% heading, 66% 2005, 60% avg.; condition 1% poor, 28% fair, 58% good, 13% excellent. Soybeans 96% planted, 99% 2005, 89% avg.; 84% emerged, 95% 2005, 81% avg.; condition 2% poor, 33% fair, 51% good, 14% excellent. Alfalfa 1st cutting complete 92%, 90% 2005, 83% avg.; 2nd cutting complete 24%, 24% 2005, 20% avg.; condition 3% poor, 21% fair, 48% good, 28% excellent. Timothy clover 1st cutting complete 73%, 72% 2005, 58% avg.; condition 6% poor, 28% fair, 54% good, 12% excellent. Peach crop condition 2% fair, 52% good, 46% excellent. Apple crop condition 50% good, 50% excellent. Quality of hay made 12% poor, 24% fair, 48% good, 16% excellent. Pasture conditions 3% very poor, 9% poor, 37% fair, 40% good, 11% excellent. Activities Included: Spraying pesticides, topdressings, repairing equipment, rotating pastures, cutting hay, spreading manure, picking strawberries, and planting soybeans.

**SOUTH CAROLINA:** Days suitable for field work 5.8. Soil 4% very short, 24% short, 65% adequate, 7% surplus. South Carolina again reporting dry precipitation for most of the state, greatly aiding the growing demands of the corn crop. Some reporters indicated that soybean planting was slowed due to the wet weather, but producers are still ahead of both the previous year and the 5-year average.
Georgetown county indicated that tobacco was beginning to suffer adversely from the rain due to the fact that farmers were not able to get into the fields and topping was delayed. Some tobacco damage was also reported in Darlington, Williamsburg counties. Barley 97% ripe, 94% 2005, 96% avg.; 85% harvested, 76% 2005, 79% avg. Corn 80% silked, 79% 2005, 78% avg.; 22% doughed, 21% 2005, 24% avg.; 1% very poor, 5% poor, 44% fair, 46% good, 4% excellent. Cotton 100% planted, 100% 2005, 99% avg.; 44% squared, 30% 2005, 35% avg.; 1% bolls set, 2% 2005, 4% avg.; 1% very poor, 8% poor, 91% fair to good, 7% very good, 6% poor, 37% fair, 46% good, 2% excellent. Oats 99% ripe, 96% 2005, 97% avg.; 88% harvested, 74% 2005, 85% avg.; 1% poor, 42% fair, 55% good, 2% excellent. Other Hay 12% harvested, 11% 2005, 21% avg. Peanuts 100% planted, 100% 2005, 100% avg.; 22% pegged, 19% 2005, 22% avg.; 23% fair, 72% good, 5% excellent. Rye 100% ripe, 89% 2005, 91% avg; 92% harvested, 70% 2005, 84% avg. Sorghum 90% planted, 95% 2005, 94% avg.; 45% headed, 46% 2005, 47%; avg. sun; color, 9% 10% avg.; 31% fair, 67% good, 2% excellent. Soybeans 92% planted, 86% 2005, 90% avg.; 84% emerged, 73% 2005, 79% avg.; 2% bloomed, 4% 2005, 3% avg.; 3% poor, 42% fair, 51% good, 4% excellent. Sweet Potatoes 99% planted, 93% 2005, 93% avg.; 94% harvested, 77% 2005, 88% avg. Apples 20% fair, 80% good. Cantaloupes 42% harvested, 26% 2005, 40% avg.; 20% poor, 11% fair, 69% good. Cucumbers 97% harvested, 76% 2005, 87% avg. Peaches 30% harvested, 19% 2005, 24% avg.; 5% very poor, 7% poor, 35% fair, 43% good, 10% excellent. Snap beans 80% harvested, 65% 2005, 72% avg.; 25% poor, 25% fair, 50% good. Tomatoes 45% harvested, 41% 2005, 47% avg. Watermelons 19% harvested, 16% 2005, 26% avg.; 7% poor, 24% fair, 69% good. Livestock 2% poor, 28% fair, 68% good, 2% excellent. Pastures 4% very poor, 15% poor, 36% fair, 44% good, 1% excellent.

SOUTH DAKOTA: Days suitable for fieldwork 5. Topsoil 24% very short, 21% short, 54% adequate, 1% surplus. Subsoil 26% very short, 23% short, 49% adequate, 2% surplus. Feed supplies 9% very short, 29% short, 59% adequate, 3% surplus. Stock water supplies 16% very short, 25% short, 57% adequate, 2% surplus. Winter Wheat 80% turning color, 27% 2005, 25% avg.; 10% ripe, 0% 2005, 0% avg. Barley boot 95%, 86% 2005, 83% avg.; 5% turning color, 1% 2005, 1% avg. Oats boot condition 1% poor, 18% fair, 64% good, 17% excellent. Sheep condition 12% fair, 67% good, 21% excellent. Range, pasture 17% very poor, 23% poor, 22% fair, 33% good, 5% excellent. Alfalfa hay 22% very poor, 17% poor, 22% fair, 32% good, 7% excellent. Alfalfa hay cut 1st cutting harvested 87%, 52% 2005, 66% avg.; 2nd cutting harvested 7%, 1% 2005, 1% avg. Hay other harvested 47%, 23% 2005, 26% avg. Temperatures were below normal for most areas across the state last week. Moisture, warmer weather contributed to the advancement of row crop development this past week. Topsoil and subsoil moisture levels improved slightly. Range and pasture conditions improved slightly across the state.

TENNESSEE: Days suitable for fieldwork 5. Topsoil 9% very short, 27% short, 57% adequate, 7% surplus. Subsoil 6% very short, 30% short, 59% adequate, 5% surplus. Winter wheat 99% harvested, 81% 2005, 76% average. Pastures 2% very poor, 11% poor, 32% fair, 50% good, 5% excellent. Hay 1st cutting harvested 96%, 95% 2005, 96% avg.; 2% very poor, 12% poor, 39% fair, 42% good, 5% excellent. Tobacco 94% transplanted, 97% 2005, 95% avg. The crop was too advanced in most of the major growing areas of the Blacklands, South Central Texas, the Coast to benefit from the week’s rains. Soil conditions statewide were mostly rated fair to very poor. Sorghum: Rains prompted dryland growers to pick up the pace of planting sorghum in the High Plains. Yield prospects improved in the Blacklands as a result of rain. The rains were too late in some parts of South Central Texas, where high nitrate levels further hurt the crop’s prospects. Grapes: Harvest on the Coast Bend; it was expected to be in full swing this coming week as fields dry out. Army worms destroyed much of some late emerging fields in that region. Fields were drying in South Texas where irrigation was not available. Statewide, sorghum condition was mostly rated fair to very poor. Peanuts: Peanuts began to peg in the Southern High Plains, though in some cases pepping was not as abundant as producers would like to see. Some pod rot was reported due to excessive moisture applied with pivots. Some planting continued in South Texas. Peanut condition statewide was rated mostly fair to good. Rice: The heavy rains in the Upper Coast were expected to help the rice crop. The condition of rice was mostly rated fair to good statewide. Soybeans: Growers continued to bale some fields for hay in the Blacklands; more rain was needed to fill pods for fields that will be harvested for beans. There were mixed effects of the heavy showers in the Trans-Pecos; some fields looked flooded, received good benefit, but others were flooded and set back. Statewide, the condition was mostly rated fair to poor. Commercial Vegetables, Fruit and Pecans in the San Antonio-Winter Garden, onion harvest continued and was complete in some counties. Producers began harvesting watermelons. Growers in the Trans-Pecos began sending cantaloupes to market; quality was expected to be good. In parts of East Texas, the watermelon harvest was “going well,” the peach crop was very light, and the blackberry, blueberry harvest was rated fair. Pecans: The crop was expected to be small in the Cross Timbers, where some second generation casebearer spraying had begun. Nut development began in the Trans-Pecos, where some orchards were damaged by hail. Prospects looked very poor in parts of the Edwards Plateau and South Central Texas. Livestock, Range, Pasture Report: Pastures were very dry and getting worse in widespread areas of the state, in spite of the week’s rains. There were some reports of rangeland fires in the High Plains. Hay continued to be in short supply, with yields from 1/2 to 2/3 of normal reported in many locations. Producers continued supplemental feeding and culling of herds across much of the state. Some improvement in pastures was reported in areas of South Central and South Texas and Coastal regions that received substantial rains.

UTAH: Days suitable for field work 7. Subsoil 8% very short, 32% short, 60% adequate, 0% surplus. Irrigation water supplies 2% very short, 12% short, 86% adequate, 0% surplus. Winter wheat 98% headed, 94% 2005, 94% avg.; condition 4% very poor, 13% poor, 41% fair, 37% good, 5% excellent. Spring wheat 100% emerged, 100% 2005, 100% avg. Spring Wheat headed 59%, 41% 2005, 65% avg. Spring Wheat, Very
Poor 0% very poor, 10% poor, 29% fair, 56% good, 5% excellent. Barley headed 69%, 53% 2005, 72% avg. Barley Condition 0% very poor, 2% poor, 15% fair, 67% good, 16% excellent. Oats emerged 98%, 97% 2005, 99% avg. Oats headed 40%, 27% 2005, 47% avg. Oats harvested for Hay or Silage 32%, 24% 2005, 20% avg. Corn 100% planted, 100% 2005, 100% avg.; 100% emerged, 99% 2005, 100% avg.; condition 0% very poor, 3% poor, 24% fair, 59% good, 14% excellent; height 18 inches, 11 inches 2005, 16 inches avg. Alfalfa height 21%, 21% 2005, 24% avg. Alfalfa Harvest is 1st Cutting 91%, 90% 2005, 90% avg.; 2nd Cutting 8%, 2005, 6% avg. Other Hay Cut 44%, 43% 2005, 49% avg. Cattle, calves moved To Summer Range 95%, 94% 2005, 94% avg. Cattle, calves condition 0% very poor, 1% poor, 8% fair, 77% good, 14% excellent. Sheep, lambs moved To Summer Range 94%, 89% 2005, 90% avg. Sheep condition 0% very poor, 0% poor, 13% fair, 80% good, 7% excellent. Stock water supplies 3% very short, 13% short, 82% adequate, 2% surplus. Sheep Sheared On Range 100%, 100% 2005, 100% avg. Ewes LamB On Range 100%, 100% 2005, 100% avg. Apricots 7% harvested, 14% 2005, 21% avg. Sweet Cherries 21% harvested, 35% 2005, 31% avg. Tart Cherries 3% harvested, 9% 2005, 11% avg. Field operations continue to be in full swing. This week produced warmer but dry temperatures throughout the state. Crop progress around the state continues to do well, but most reports indicate that crop yields will be average. Livestock continues doing well around the state. The 1st cutting of hay is about 90 percent complete and the 2nd cutting is just underway. Harvest has already begun for sweet cherries in some counties. However, Mormon Crickets are still showing up in some areas toward Almo, Idaho and Grouse Creek. Alfalfa hay that was not sprayed for weeds are still not growing much. The hay that had been sprayed will soon be ready to cut again. Irrigated crops are doing well, but some of the non-irrigated crops could use the much needed rainfall. Moving livestock to summer range, has almost come to an end. In Box Elder and Wayne counties, pasture and rangeland have begun to dry out because of the hot weather and little to no rainfall.

**WISCONSIN:** Days suitable for fieldwork 5.7. Soil 13% very poor, 34% short, 47% adequate, 6% surplus. Much needed rains over the weekend helped moisture-stressed corn and the regrowth of alfalfa in northern, central areas of the state. Southern Wisconsin had a contrasting problem, as persistent rain delayed second crop alfalfa cutting. Temperatures were fairly normal for the week, ranging from average to 2o above normal. Average high temperatures were in the high 70s to low 80s in most areas. Low temperatures averaged in the high 50s to low 60s during the week. Rainfall totals ranged from 0.34 inches in La Crosse to 1.79 inches in Milwaukee. Corn height was reported at an average of 25 inches, slightly taller than last year’s 24 inches, above the 5-year average of 16 inches, according to the Wisconsin Field Office of USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service. Corn continued to show moisture stress over the week due to dry weather, but weekend rains offered some relief. Soybean 98% emergence complete, even with last year’s progress of 98%, and ahead of the 89% 5-year average. Soybeans looked good throughout the state where weed control was effective. Alfalfa 1st cutting complete 99%, above last year’s 86% and the 5-year average of 74 percent. Timely warm weather helped first crop cutting to reach completion for this time of year, but also hindered the progression of second crop regrowth. Alfalfa 2nd cutting complete 9%, above last year’s 1% and the 5-year average of zero. Weekend rain is expected to help second crop regrowth in north and central Wisconsin, but dry weather is needed in southern Wisconsin to help move along second crop cutting. Reporters noted that leafhoppers were present in northern and central Wisconsin. Oats 73% headed, ahead of last year’s 64% and the 5-year average of 45 percent. Strawberries were ripening, being picked throughout the state. Apples looked very good and seemed ahead of schedule. Peas were being harvested, and Cucumbers were planted and starting to come up.

**WASHINGTON:** Days suitable for field work 6.90. Topsoil 18% short, 76% adequate, 4% surplus. Hay producers were busy cutting, baling hay. Winter wheat, spring wheat, barley conditions were mostly good to excellent. Potatoes were in good condition. The first reported incident of potato blight this season was reported in Franklin County. Dry peas and lentils were progressing well, and green pea harvest continued. Pasture conditions 2% very poor, 3% poor, 23% fair, 71% good, 1% excellent. Pastures were in great condition. Livestock continued to do well with the warm weather. The summer harvest of oysters, clams produced good yields. With the excellent weather strawberry and raspberry harvest continued. Cherry harvest continued while damages continued to be reported. Hand thinning labor for apple and pear orchards was in short supply.

**WYOMING:** Days suitable for fieldwork 6.8. Topsoil 24% very short, 50% short, 26% adequate. Subsoil 27% very short, 49% short, 24% adequate. Temperatures during the week ending Friday, June 23rd, were above normal across the entire State except for a few scattered areas mostly in the Northeast. Averages ranged from 1.5o below normal in Worland to 4.1o above normal in Riverton. The high temperatures was 93 in Casper and Douglas while the low was 30 in Jackson. Precipitation was below normal across most of the State except for fortunate areas in the Northeast. The most precipitation was reported in Sundance with 2.21 inches, Dillinger with 1.41 inches, and Redbird with 0.63 inches. Many stations reported a trace to no precipitation at all. Stock water supplies 19% very short, 35% short, 45% adequate, 1% surplus. Barley boot 71%, 74% 2005, 71% 5-yr avg.; 44% headed, 49% 2005, 49% 5-year average. Oats boot 59%, 53% 2005, 45% 5-yr avg.; 28% headed, 15% 2005, 20% 5-year average. Spring wheat boot 72%, 65% 2005, 60% 5-yr avg.; 35% headed, 21% 2005, 29% 5-year average. Winter wheat 98% headed, 92% 2005, 95% 5-yr avg.; 55% turning color, 13% 2005, 33% 5-year average. Corn average height 20 inches, 2005 10 inches, 5-year average 13 inches. Dry beans 95% emerged, 82% 2005, 90% 5-year average. Alfalfa 1st cutting harvested 63%, 33% 2005, 37% 5-year average. Other hay 13% harvested, 8% 2005, 10% 5-year average. Barley condition 5% poor, 30% fair, and 65% good. Oats condition 7% poor, 22% fair, 67% good, 4% excellent. Spring wheat condition 30% poor, 30% fair, and 40% good. Winter wheat condition 12% very poor, 26% poor, 33% fair, 28% good, 1% excellent. Sugarbeets condition 3%, poor, 19% fair, 74% good, and 4% excellent. Dry bean condition 2% poor, 38% fair, 60% good. Corn condition 1% poor, 38% fair, 63% good. Range vegetation conditions 16% very poor, 29% poor, 37% fair, and 18% good. Moisture badly needed across the State.

**WEST VIRGINIA:** Days suitable for field work 4.0. Topsoil 13% short, 75% adequate, 12% surplus compared with 12% very short, 44% short, 44% adequate last year.aw. Lecumber harvest continued. Pasture conditions 2% very poor, 3% poor, 34% fair, 52% good, 5% excellent. Hay 1st cutting complete 73%, 79% 2005, 64% 5-yr avg. Winter Wheat conditions 1% poor, 8% fair, 90% good, 1% excellent; 5% harvested, 37% 2005, 16% 5-yr avg. Oat conditions 3% poor, 38% fair, 54% good, 5% excellent; 66% headed, 48% 2005, 58% 5-yr avg. Corn conditions 5% poor, 28% fair, 62% good, 5% excellent. Soybeans conditions 1% poor, 16% fair, 83% good; 90% planted. 2005 and 5-yr avg not available. Soybeans 89% emerged. 94% 2005, 5-yr avg not available. Barley, calves 3% poor, 22% fair, 71% good; 4% excellent. Sheep and lambs 2% poor, 17% fair, 78% good and 3% excellent. Some much needed rain fell the end of last week, revitalizing topsoil moisture conditions. Activities Included: Making hay, fertilizing fields for second cutting, clipping pastures, planting crops, harvesting vegetables and wheat.