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General

The week began with a front that provided some scattered showers. Warm and dry conditions were prevalent throughout most of the week. The week ended with warm and dry conditions. There were 7.0 days suitable for field work. Soil moisture supplies were 14% very short, 51% short, and 35% adequate.

Crops

The silking and doughing stages on the corn crop were both well ahead of their normal rates with 98% silked and 19% doughed. The crop remained in mostly good condition. Rice began to head last week with the crop in fair to mostly good condition. Farmers continued to apply midseason nitrogen and herbicides to the crop. Over one-third of the soybean plants had set blooms with the crop beginning to set pods. Planting and crop emergence were both nearing completion. The crop was in fair to mostly good condition. Over half of the sorghum crop had headed with most of the crop in fair condition. Cotton squared was nearing completion with boll setting at 18% complete. Cotton conditions were fair to mostly good. Wheat harvest was completed last week.

Livestock

Livestock were in good condition. Harvesting continued on all hay crops. Hay and pasture conditions both declined slightly. Alfalfa hay conditions remained in mostly fair to good condition.

Percent of Progress

Crop	Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	2005	5 Year Avg
Corn	Silked	98	92	81	84
	Doughed	19	3	0	4
Cotton	Squared	96	88	92	88
	Bolls Set	18	9	16	16
Rice	Headed	1	0	1	1
Sorghum	Headed	52	16	15	34
Soybeans	Planted	99	98	96	95
	Emerged	97	94	92	91
	Bloomed	36	19	25	20
	Pods Set	11	0	0	0
Wheat	Harvested	100	99	98	95

Condition in Percentages

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Corn	0	6	24	53	17
Cotton	1	8	36	42	13
Rice	1	5	27	50	17
Sorghum	1	11	47	35	6
Soybeans	4	15	36	38	7
Hay-Other	1	13	43	40	3
Hay-Alfalfa	0	12	64	24	0
Pasture & Range	1	17	41	38	3

Temperatures and Precipitation Week Ending July 2, 2006									
District	Station	Temperatures			Rainfall				
		High	Low	Dep from Normal	Wk Ending July 2	July	July	Jan - June	
						Accum	Normal	2006	Normal

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