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Crops Looking Good

Agricultural Summary

Crop growth was substantial again during the past week. After starting the week with a few days of rain and thunderstorms, temperatures warmed up towards the end of the week creating ideal growing conditions. For the week ending July 3, major agricultural activities involved harvesting hay, irrigating, cultivating, and spraying fungicides.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

No major livestock problems were reported as sheep and cattle graze summer pastures and ranges. Power County Extension Educators reported a severe Mormon cricket infestation in the area around Arbon Valley.

Field Crop Report

Statewide, all crops are reported to be in good to excellent condition. However, stripe rust continues to be a concern for some wheat growers throughout the state. Barley fields in scattered areas of Franklin County are being sprayed to treat cereal leaf beetle infestations. In the Treasure Valley, cherry harvest continued and is 85 percent complete.

Soil Moisture and Days Suitable for Fieldwork

Topsoil moisture declined slightly from last week to 14% short, 78% adequate, and 8% surplus. Statewide, Idaho farmers had an average of 6.8 days suitable for fieldwork last week.

Crop Progress Table

Percentages	2005	2004	Avg
Winter Wheat Turning Color	13	29	24
Potatoes 12" High	37	85	75
Potatoes Closing Middles	18	30	35

Grain Progress Table

Percentages	Jointed	Boot Stage
Winter Wheat	100	100
Spring Wheat	95	83
Barley	94	77

Condition Table

Percentages	Very				
	Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Winter Wheat	--	1	5	64	30
Spring Wheat	--	1	3	67	29
Barley	--	1	2	46	51
Potato	--	1	18	66	15
Irr. Water Supply	--	2	14	75	9
Range & Pasture	--	1	5	61	33

Crop Progress District Table

Crop	North			Southwest			South-Central			East			State		
	2005	2004	Avg	2005	2004	Avg	2005	2004	Avg	2005	2004	Avg	2005	2004	Avg
Winter Wheat															
Headed	87	98	91	100	100	100	99	99	99	97	85	94	93	95	94
Spring Wheat															
Headed	48	62	33	100	100	99	69	96	93	22	47	53	38	59	58
Barley															
Headed	52	63	27	100	91	96	69	93	92	15	44	46	34	59	57
Potatoes															
Emerged	NA	NA	NA	100	100	100	99	100	100	94	99	99	96	99	100
Alfalfa Hay															
1 st Cutting Harvested	77	83	68	100	100	100	92	99	98	83	75	82	89	87	90
2 nd Cutting Harvested	--	--	--	5	31	47	3	32	32	5	3	2	4	16	19

Avg (2000-2004); NA = Very Small Percentage of Acreage in District.

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Weather Data For The Week Ending Sunday, July 3, 2005 ^{1/}

Station	Temperature ^{2/}				Growing Degree Days ^{4/}			Precipitation (Inches)				
	High	Low	Ave.	Dept. ^{3/}	40° Base	50° Base		Total ^{5/}	Dept ^{3/}	Month of July	March 1	
						To Date	Normal				To Date	Normal
North												
Coeur D'Alene	82	46	62	-2	1468	569	560	0.23	0.04	0.05	3.14	9.07
Grangeville	78	47	61	-1	1183	368	358	1.90	1.33	0.00	15.03	11.94
Lewiston	91	51	70	1	2095	977	870	0.40	0.17	0.00	7.28	5.25
Sand Point	82	49	--	--	1339	502	419	0.63	0.12	0.00	12.28	10.53
Southwest												
Boise	93	50	69	-1	1926	886	815	0.34	0.23	0.00	7.19	4.74
Caldwell	91	52	69	-3	1935	868	1006	0.98	0.86	0.00	5.34	4.15
Emmett	92	50	68	-2	1750	756	816	0.94	0.81	0.00	4.76	4.91
Mountain Home	97	48	70	0	1942	921	792	0.15	0.07	0.00	6.33	3.54
Parma	87	50	--	--	1792	773	805	0.21	0.08	0.00	3.45	4.18
Weiser	92	52	69	-1	1945	918	857	0.26	0.14	0.00	4.75	4.25
Southcentral												
Buhl	--	--	--	--	1362	496	600	--	--	--	--	3.99
Burley	89	47	63	-4	1371	513	636	0.00	-0.10	0.00	9.76	4.19
Hill City	83	35	58	-2	914	264	272	0.35	0.23	0.00	9.37	4.29
Hagerman	--	--	--	--	2011	949	943	--	--	--	--	3.68
Malta	91	43	64	-1	1444	560	540	0.06	-0.07	0.00	7.92	4.33
Twin Falls	89	48	65	-1	1442	563	538	0.00	-0.08	0.00	9.35	4.42
East												
Aberdeen	77	40	--	--	1078	382	448	0.00	-0.10	0.00	5.54	3.65
Grace	88	39	61	-2	916	304	360	0.00	-0.19	0.00	8.09	6.48
Idaho Falls	88	39	61	-4	1102	372	471	0.00	-0.13	0.00	7.43	4.57
Malad City	89	42	65	-1	1228	450	508	0.00	-0.13	0.00	7.91	5.70
Pocatello	92	42	64	-2	1294	490	539	0.00	-0.12	0.00	8.04	4.98
Rexburg	84	41	61	-3	1108	403	423	0.62	0.43	0.00	7.80	5.81
Salmon	88	45	--	--	1274	440	--	0.24	--	0.00	3.00	--

1/ Weekly summary provided by the Western Regional Climate Center with data reported by the National Weather Service. When data is quality controlled by the National Climate Center the accumulated growing degree days and precipitation values are updated. 2/-- indicate missing or incomplete data. 3/ Weekly departure from normal. 4/ Totals from March 1. Growing degree days are estimated from neighboring sites for stations with missing or incomplete data. 5/ Precipitation totals are only for days reports were received, no estimates were made for missing data.