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Tennessee Crop Weather

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RAINS BRING SOME RELIEF

Tennessee continued to experience dry weather through midweek, with some rain received across the state heading into the weekend. Rain brought a welcome reprieve to dry pastures and soil, but more moisture is needed for recovery. Harvest of corn and soybeans is approaching completion, with cotton following closely behind. The rains allowed some producers to proceed with winter wheat seeding, but more will be needed for the seeded crop to germinate properly. Livestock producers are continuing to feed hay and brace for the winter ahead. Precipitation was received after this week's drought monitor was released, but as of November 9th, much of the state remains in the severe drought (D2) or extreme drought (D3) category, with some pockets of the far southeast entering exceptional drought (D4) status. Statewide, there were 5.5 days suitable for field work last week. Topsoil moisture was 25 percent very short, 32 percent short, and 43 percent adequate. Subsoil moisture was 26 percent very short, 32 percent short, and 42 percent adequate.

CROP PROGRESS					CONDITION					
Item	This Week	Last Week	2022	5 Year Avg.	Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Percent					Percent					
Corn – Harvested	97	96	100	98	Pasture	23	33	33	10	1
Cotton – Harvested	86	76	82	75	Winter Wheat	3	6	41	44	6
Soybeans – Harvested	87	80	86	78	Cattle	1	5	28	57	9
Winter Wheat – Planted	74	63	84	77						
Winter Wheat – Emerged	52	38	65	58						

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