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Utah Crop Progress & Conditions

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Agricultural Summary

Farm activity around the state was consistent with last week's activities. Temperatures for the most part continue to be warm around the state. The days suitable for work was 6.4 days, down 0.6 days from last week's mark. Livestock conditions throughout the state are doing well.

Field Crops Summary

Box Elder reports that there is limited soil moisture for planting fall wheat on non-irrigated farmland. Some farmers have delayed planting until the fall rains arrive while others are busy planting fall grain. Sevier County has reported that scattered showers in the area have delayed hay cutting. Third cutting for alfalfa is complete in some counties, while fourth cutting continues to progress. Irrigated safflower is being harvested with better than average yields. Fruit reports indicate that peaches and pears are about 65 percent harvested. Corn continues to do well across the state; all reports indicate a better than average yield.

Livestock Summary

Producers in some counties continue to move their livestock off summer ranges, while producers in other counties have just begun this process.

Livestock Percent for Week Ending September 10, 2006

Item	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5-Year Average
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Cattle Moved from Summer Range	38	37	11	23
Sheep/Lambs Moved from Summer Range	24	23	7	19

Crop Progress for Week Ending September 10, 2006

Item	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Onions Harvested	42	31	28	40
Barley Harvested (Grain)	94	90	91	98
Oats Harvested (Grain)	88	87	81	87
Winter Wheat Planted	18	10	35	22
Corn Dent Stage	63	36	31	46
Corn Mature	20	6	8	23
Corn Silage Harvested	23	4	6	15
Alfalfa Seed	23	7	43	33
Alfalfa Third Cutting	83	77	78	75
Alfalfa Fourth Cutting	16	8	12	17
Apple Harvested	44	40	11	18
Peach Harvested	67	53	76	75
Pears Harvested	63	54	58	66

Crop & Livestock Condition for Week Ending September 10, 2006

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Range & Pasture	2	12	34	47	5
Corn	0	2	11	58	29
Sheep	0	1	14	76	9
Cattle/calves	0	1	11	70	18

Soil Moisture for Week Ending September 10, 2006

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Topsoil	11	38	51	0
Subsoil	5	38	57	0
Irrigation water supplies	6	21	73	0
Stock water supplies	2	23	72	3