



Utah Crop Progress & Conditions

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Agricultural Summary

Rain storms brought much needed moisture to many parts of the State last week and improved crop and range conditions. On the negative side, cut hay was damaged and the aftermath of the low pressure was cold weather with minor frost damage to hay, grain, and corn crops in northern and southwestern Utah. Snow fell in parts of Box Elder and Iron Counties. The average number of days suitable for field work statewide was 5.3. Dry conditions still exist in Duchesne, Garfield, Kane, and Rich Counties.

Field Crops Summary

Across the State, winter wheat was 87 percent headed by Sunday, June 10, 2007 compared to 65 percent the previous week. Winter wheat was beginning to change color around Willard. First cutting of alfalfa hay in Box Elder County was nearly complete but only about 71 percent complete around the State as a whole. This is 13 percentage points ahead of the five year average. Second cutting in Box Elder County will begin in about two weeks. Alfalfa quality is mixed with good quality in Cache County for the most part but some damage there and in other counties due to last week's rain storms. Dry land alfalfa is suffering due to dry spring weather conditions. Irrigation water supplies were rated 56 percent adequate, 37 percent short, and 7 percent very short. Cut backs in irrigation in Sanpete County are already beginning due to reduced run off. There are about 40 days of irrigation water left in Duchesne County.

Livestock Summary

Range conditions were rated 2 percent excellent, 44 percent good, 44 percent fair, 8 percent poor, and 2 percent very poor. Most annual grasses have completed their cycles. Sheep producers were docking sheep last week and cattlemen were moving their herds on to summer ranges. Sweet cherries in Box Elder County were starting to ripen and harvest could begin in two weeks.

Crop Progress for Week Ending June 10, 2007

Item	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Dry Beans Planted	81	47	81	69
Barley Headed Stage	42	20	38	34
Oats Emerged	95	93	96	93
Oats Headed Stage	9	6	9	13
Spring Wheat Headed	30	7	15	22
Winter Wheat Head Stage	87	65	71	64
Corn Emerged	92	85	85	86
Alfalfa First Cutting	71	50	69	58
Other Hay Cut	30	21	14	21

Crop & Livestock Condition for Week Ending June 10, 2007

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	8	44	44	2
Winter Wheat	0	7	33	46	14
Sheep	0	0	12	80	8

Livestock Percent for Week Ending June 10, 2007

Item	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5-Year Average
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Sheep Moved to Summer Range	82	64	77	69
Cattle Moved to Summer Range	70	54	78	70

Soil Moisture for Week Ending June 10, 2007

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Topsoil	1	33	65	1
Subsoil	2	33	65	0
Irrigation water supplies	7	37	56	0
Stock water supplies	1	23	76	0