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Week of October 16 – October 22, 2006

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Another cool week with moisture.

Wet weather slows crop harvest.

About two-thirds of livestock moved from summer ranges.

Wyoming experienced another cool week with below normal temperatures across the State with the exception of Jackson and Big Piney. High temperatures were in the low 60's to low 70's. Low temperatures were in the single digits to mostly low 20's. Above normal precipitation was reported across the majority of the State. The Big Horn Basin and some southeast areas had smaller amounts.

Rain and snowfall improved moisture supplies but continued to delay harvest in many areas. Topsoil moisture was rated adequate to surplus in 42 percent of the State, up 10 points from last week. Recent storms helped replenish some stock water ponds.

SOIL MOISTURE TABLE

Topsoil	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Very Short	15	17	12	30
Short	43	50	29	39
Adeq	41	32	56	30
Surp	1	1	3	1

CROP PROGRESS TABLE

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Sugarbeet Harvested	54	33	45	63
Corn Dent	95	91	100	99
Corn Mature	77	69	88	90
Corn Harvested	27	16	29	34
Dry Beans Windrowed	93	93	99	99
Dry Beans Combined	82	79	89	96

FIELD CROP REPORT: An average of 4.6 days were suitable for fieldwork during the past week. Wet weather slowed crop progress last week. Dry bean windrowing was stalled with 93 percent done, 6 points behind the average pace. Producers were 82 percent through combining, 9 points behind the average pace. Corn development was behind average with 95 percent dented and 77 percent mature, compared with the averages of 99 and 90 percent. Corn harvest made some progress but, at 27 percent complete, it remained behind average. Corn condition held steady with 55 percent rated in good or excellent condition.

Sugarbeets were 54 percent dug, 9 points ahead of last year but still 9 points behind the average pace. Over two-thirds of the sugarbeet crop remained in good condition. Condition of the winter wheat remained steady with two-thirds rated in good condition. The Northeast was still mostly fair.

CROP CONDITION TABLE

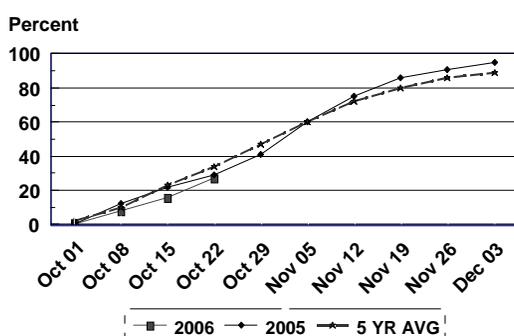
Item	V Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excel
Winter Wht	0	1	33	66	0
Corn	1	9	35	51	4
Sugarbeets	5	9	18	68	0

LIVESTOCK, PASTURE, AND RANGE REPORT: Welcome moisture held range and pasture condition steady during last week. Ten percent of the pasture and range feed supplies were rated in good condition. Thirty-seven percent remained in very poor condition. Hay and roughage supplies were adequate in 46 percent of the State, compared with 50 percent two weeks ago. Livestock were in fair to mostly good condition. About two-thirds of all livestock had been moved from summer ranges.

PASTURE AND RANGE FEED

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Very Poor	37	37	2	27
Poor	25	25	14	23
Fair	28	28	31	29
Good	10	10	48	19
Excellent	0	0	5	2

Corn Grain Harvested



WEATHER SUMMARY: Temperatures during the week ending Friday, October 20th, were mostly below normal and averaged from 7.6 degrees below normal in Chugwater to 0.9 degrees above normal in Big Piney. The high temperature was 73 in Kaycee while the low was 2 in Laramie. All reporting stations recorded moisture except for Kaycee. Powell and Wheatland only had a trace. Most amounts were above normal. The most precipitation was reported in Saratoga with 1.40 inches, Sheridan with 1.00 inches, and Afton with 0.62 inches.

TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDED OCTOBER 20, 2006

STATION	TEMPERATURE			PRECIPITATION			CUMULATIVE 1/	
	MAX	MIN	NORM	WEEK	NORM	DATE	WEEK	NORM
SNAKE DRAINAGE								
Jackson	63	20	0.2	0.55	0.26	13.44	13.99	-0.55
Afton	64	23	-2.1	0.62	0.28	11.52	14.92	-3.40
GREEN & BEAR DRAINAGE								
Uinta County AP	60	21	-3.8	0.44	0.19	9.12	9.46	-0.34
Big Piney AP	61	19	0.9	0.14	0.02	5.40	6.58	-1.18
Rock Springs AP	60	22	-5.1	0.31	0.11	5.17	7.88	-2.71
BIG HORN DRAINAGE								
Cody	66	23	-2.7	0.04	-0.16	8.22	9.79	-1.57
Deaver	64	21	-4.4	0.11	0.04	4.47	5.16	-0.69
Greybull AP	66	22	-1.9	0.06	-0.07	4.40	6.63	-2.23
Powell Field St	61	18	-2.8	T	-0.11	2/		
Worland FAA AP	71	17	-3.1	0.01	-0.13	3.84	7.16	-3.32
POWDER, LITTLE MO. & TONGUE DRAINAGE								
Kaycee	73	20	-4.3	0.00	-0.26	7.47	12.06	-4.59
Sheridan WSO AP	72	20	-3.6	1.00	0.71	9.95	12.87	-2.92
BELLE FOURCHE DRAINAGE								
Dillinger	72	22	-3.4	0.31	0.06	11.63	13.22	-1.59
Sundance	72	19	-4.5	0.51	0.18	20.42	16.75	3.68
CHEYENNE & NIOBRARA DRAINAGE								
Newcastle	72	20	-3.6	0.08	-0.19	12.97	14.46	-1.49
Redbird	72	10	-5.1	0.31	0.09	11.99	14.21	-2.22
LOWER PLATTE DRAINAGE								
Casper AP	67	16	-2.9	0.19	-0.06	12.22	11.25	0.97
Cheyenne AP	68	16	-3.2	0.36	0.19	10.56	14.20	-3.64
Chugwater	68	11	-7.6	0.27	0.05	9.99	14.12	-4.13
Douglas AP	69	19	-3.1	0.05	-0.12	7.61	11.24	-3.63
Torrington AP	72	21	-2.8	0.06	-0.15	7.83	12.66	-4.83
Wheatland 4 N	71	22	-4.9	T	-0.20	8.02	12.04	-4.02
WIND RIVER DRAINAGE								
Lander AP	63	22	-3.6	0.30	0.00	5.92	11.38	-5.46
Riverton AP	64	22	-0.6	0.20	0.03	3.92	7.66	-3.74
UPPER PLATTE DRAINAGE								
Laramie AP	61	2	-7.0	0.21	0.03	6.71	10.07	-3.36
Rawlins AP	60	3	-6.9	0.21	0.01	4.28	8.37	-4.09
Saratoga	60	11	-6.0	1.40	1.18	8.40	8.85	-0.45

BLANKS - INDICATE MISSING DATA.

AP - AIRPORT. T - TRACE. () - ESTIMATES.

1/LATE REPORTS CAN CHANGE PREVIOUS WEEK'S CUMULATIVE TOTALS.

2/MISSING DATA FOR TWO WEEKS IN JULY