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Cool, Damp Weather Continues

Agricultural Summary

Cool, damp weather conditions continue to enhance the states irrigation water supply. Below average temperatures were reported this past week and precipitation was received throughout most of the state. For the week ending May 11 major agricultural activities included planting small grains, sugarbeets, potatoes, corn, dry peas, lentils, dry beans, spraying insects, and cutting hay.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

Livestock was reported in good condition and are starting to be moved to spring range. Hay and Roughage supplies were reported to be 3% short , 67% adequate, and 30% surplus.

Crop Progress Table

Percentages	2003	2002	Avg.
Onions Emerged	94	86	97
Oats Planted	71	72	71
Oats Emerged	48	41	42
Dry Peas Planted	46	87	81
Dry Peas Emerged	16	44	41
Lentils Planted	31	79	71
Field Corn Planted	32	50	56
Field Corn Emerged	0	6	13
Dry Beans Planted	8	23	7

Field Crop Report

Statewide, winter wheat development has progressed to 55 percent jointed and 2 percent booted. Spring wheat and barley have progressed to 2 and 4 percent jointed respectfully. Some replanting of sugarbeets is taking place in Gooding County due to frost damage and in Power County due to cutworm damage. Sugarbeet planting is nearing completion across the state and over three fourths of the crop has emerged. The states first cutting of alfalfa hay has started and is ahead of last year but behind the five year average. Spring planting in North Idaho is starting to progress as weather conditions permit.

Soil Moisture and Days Suitable for Fieldwork

County Extension Educators reported topsoil moisture to be 12% short, 77% adequate and 11% surplus. Statewide, Idaho farmers had an average of 5.0 days suitable for fieldwork this past week.

Condition Table

Percentages	Very				
	Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Irr. Water Supply	3	16	41	38	2
Winter Wheat	0	0	4	74	22
Range & Pasture	0	1	25	61	13

Crop Progress District Table

Crop	North			Southwest			Southcentral			East			State		
	2003	2002	Avg	2003	2002	Avg	2003	2002	Avg	2003	2002	Avg	2003	2002	Avg
Spring Wheat															
Planted	45	94	89	100	100	100	100	99	99	95	84	88	84	89	90
Emerged	12	35	47	100	99	100	98	91	95	76	57	60	65	60	66
Barley															
Planted	42	91	84	100	99	100	100	97	98	80	78	80	80	85	85
Emerged	11	34	41	100	99	99	95	82	87	53	29	44	58	45	55
Potatoes															
Planted	NA	NA	NA	99	90	95	63	94	85	45	40	45	53	59	60
Emerged	NA	NA	NA	30	9	29	1	2	7	0	0	2	2	1	5
Sugarbeets															
Planted	NA	NA	NA	100	100	99	98	99	98	100	85	93	99	96	98
Emerged	NA	NA	NA	100	94	87	77	43	66	94	42	60	84	54	70
Alfalfa Hay 1 st Cutting															
Harvested	0	0	0	3	0	4	1	5	3	0	0	0	1	0	2

Avg (1998-2002); NA = Very Small Percentage of Acreage in District.

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Weather Data For The Week Ending Sunday, May 11, 2003 ^{1/}

Station	Temperature ^{2/}				Growing Degree Days ^{4/}			Precipitation (Inches)					
	High	Low	Ave.	Dept. ^{3/}	40° Base	50° Base		Total	Dept ^{3/}	Month of May	March 1		
						To Date	Normal				To Date	Normal	
North													
Coeur D'Alene	66	32	47	-8	412	64	69	0.43	0.09	0.54	4.80	4.73	
Grangeville	60	27	44	-5	303	36	0	0.21	-0.50	1.00	7.55	6.09	
Lewiston	69	33	51	-6	626	128	104	0.46	0.18	1.21	5.06	2.62	
Sand Point	66	27	46	-5	324	44	6	0.34	-0.24	0.77	7.42	5.86	
Southwest													
Boise	63	37	49	-6	610	136	60	0.28	0.08	1.28	4.25	2.85	
Caldwell	61	36	49	-9	679	182	136	0.12	-0.02	0.42	1.87	2.25	
Emmett	68	32	51	-5	606	148	89	0.41	0.22	1.04	4.09	2.72	
Mountain Home	64	34	49	-5	570	130	43	0.31	0.15	0.76	2.91	2.18	
Parma 5/	65	36	--	--	678	174	75	0.18	0.01	0.65	2.12	2.32	
Weiser	61	35	49	-6	662	148	70	0.12	-0.04	0.54	2.64	2.31	
Southcentral													
Buhl 5/	--	--	--	--	443	74	9	0.00	-0.26	0.00	1.18	2.19	
Burley	59	32	46	-6	358	50	18	0.99	0.74	1.28	4.36	2.17	
Hill City	54	23	39	-9	153	9	0	0.06	-0.14	0.11	3.45	2.40	
Hagerman 5/	63	42	--	--	703	205	155	0.00	-0.23	0.00	1.01	2.08	
Malta	61	27	45	-8	459	99	46	0.76	0.45	0.89	2.87	2.07	
Twin Falls	59	31	45	-7	401	70	13	1.14	0.91	1.27	4.42	2.39	
East													
Aberdeen 5/	60	28	--	--	205	16	1	0.00	-0.28	0.00	0.68	1.96	
Grace 5/	45	34	--	--	196	16	0	1.06	0.70	1.97	3.28	3.23	
Idaho Falls	59	29	45	-5	262	21	2	0.16	-0.15	0.61	2.28	2.27	
Malad City	65	25	44	-7	344	56	8	0.83	0.48	0.83	1.71	2.83	
Pocatello	60	25	44	-7	317	44	9	0.53	0.23	0.74	2.66	2.89	
Rexburg	59	30	44	-5	287	40	0	0.21	-0.21	0.51	2.99	2.94	
Salmon	59	34	45	-5	361	60	5	0.02	-0.23	0.03	0.36	1.73	

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.

Daily High/Low Four Inch Soil Temperatures

Station	Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Sunday		Average ^{1/}	
	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low
Emmett	63	57	66	57	67	58	67	58	66	57	65	58	70	58	66	58
Parma	53	52	53	52	53	52	--	--	54	52	--	--	--	--	53	52
Sandpoint	51	47	48	42	49	42	48	42	56	43	54	46	62	47	53	44
Twin Falls	52	42	53	41	58	46	60	47	54	45	57	44	62	44	57	44

1/ Averages are only for days reports were received. -- Missing or Incomplete Data.