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May Ends Cool And Wet

Agricultural Summary

Farmers throughout the state are grateful for the continued moisture received this past week. Irrigation water supplies have improved slightly from last week. For the week ending May 30, major agricultural activities included cultivating sugarbeets and potatoes, feeding and caring for livestock, cutting alfalfa hay, planting oats, barley, dry beans, corn and potatoes, and spraying insecticide.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

Hay and Roughage supplies were reported to be 10% short, 67% adequate, and 23% surplus. No livestock problems have been reported this past week.

Grain Progress Table

	Jointed	Booted
Winter Wheat	84	51
Spring Wheat	34	4
Barley	26	5

Crop Progress Table

Percentages	2004	2003	Avg.
Oats Emerged	95	76	73
Field Corn Planted	100	96	95
Field Corn Emerged	82	57	64
Dry Beans Planted	52	54	42
Dry Beans Emerged	25	18	11

Field Crop Report

Statewide, recent rains have dampered the first cutting of hay. Some farmers are green chopping due to excessive moisture in the hay. Canyon County Extension Educators reported hail damage on some winter wheat, and a Mormon cricket infestation. Nez Perce County Extension Educators have seen leaching in pea and lentil plantings. Potato emergence in Eastern areas of the state has been slowed because of cooler temperatures. Small grains were reported in mostly good condition this past week. Power County Extension Educators reported finding armyworms in several dryland safflower fields, while Franklin County Extension Educators saw an increase in black grassbug infestations.

Soil Moisture and Days Suitable for Fieldwork

Topsoil moisture was reported to be 21% short, 71% adequate, and 8% surplus. Statewide, Idaho farmers had an average of 4.4 days suitable for fieldwork last week.

Condition Table

Percentages	Very				
	Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Winter Wheat	--	4	10	76	10
Spring Wheat	--	--	13	82	5
Barley	--	1	9	84	6
Irr. Water Supply	3	21	41	35	--
Range & Pasture	--	2	25	51	22

Crop Progress District Table

Crop	North			Southwest			South-Central			East			State		
	2004	2003	Avg	2004	2003	Avg	2004	2003	Avg	2004	2003	Avg	2004	2003	Avg
Spring Wheat Emerged	96	51	82	100	100	100	100	100	100	96	96	93	97	86	92
Barley Emerged	95	37	74	100	100	100	100	100	99	81	90	87	88	86	88
Winter Wheat Headed	5	--	2	67	51	44	14	10	14	11	--	4	14	6	8
Potatoes Planted	NA	NA	NA	100	100	100	100	99	100	96	93	93	97	95	96
Potatoes Emerged	NA	NA	NA	100	96	89	70	37	53	18	10	18	37	23	32
Alfalfa Hay 1 st Cutting Harvested	12	1	2	40	61	59	64	21	31	3	9	5	29	23	23

Avg (1998-2003); NA = Very Small Percentage of Acreage in District.

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Weather Data For The Week Ending Sunday, May 30, 2004 ^{1/}

Station	Temperature ^{2/}				Growing Degree Days ^{4/}			Precipitation (Inches)					
	High	Low	Ave.	Dept. ^{3/}	40° Base	50° Base To Date Normal		Total	Dept ^{3/}	Month of May	March 1 To Date Normal		
North													
Coeur D'Alene	66	36	54	-1	820	197	154	0.76	-0.35	2.82	4.81	6.81	
Grangeville 5/	57	36	--	--	711	134	58	0.00	-0.81	3.31	6.34	8.59	
Lewiston	73	45	59	-2	1278	467	318	0.64	0.27	3.13	5.09	3.88	
Sand Point	69	33	54	-2	731	170	94	1.49	0.83	3.41	7.48	7.70	
Southwest													
Boise	71	40	56	-5	1251	464	258	1.01	0.74	2.45	3.24	3.88	
Caldwell	72	39	57	-7	1241	451	381	0.25	0.03	0.51	0.98	3.35	
Emmett	70	37	56	-5	1153	395	269	0.59	0.31	1.62	2.32	3.99	
Mountain Home	70	37	55	-6	1110	374	231	0.35	0.16	2.35	2.81	2.92	
Parma 5/	74	50	--	--	1224	439	271	0.52	0.27	1.45	1.97	3.27	
Weiser 5/	76	34	--	--	1284	500	289	0.12	-0.15	0.67	1.38	3.25	
Southcentral													
Buhl 5/	--	--	--	--	843	201	144	0.00	-0.27	0.00	0.00	3.14	
Burley	69	35	51	-7	863	216	163	0.62	0.34	1.13	2.83	3.32	
Hill City	65	28	47	-6	486	78	23	0.27	-0.01	0.57	1.07	3.41	
Hagerman 5/	--	--	--	--	1406	606	344	0.00	-0.25	0.00	0.00	2.87	
Malta	73	32	51	-6	920	268	128	0.30	-0.08	0.66	1.83	3.24	
Twin Falls	71	35	52	-5	946	307	118	0.49	0.19	0.83	3.38	3.54	
East													
Aberdeen 5/	64	36	--	--	615	145	78	0.00	-0.27	0.40	1.95	2.75	
Grace	65	27	46	-8	549	112	46	1.54	1.03	2.44	3.34	4.94	
Idaho Falls	69	32	49	-7	652	128	79	0.54	0.20	1.01	2.23	3.47	
Malad City	69	31	50	-7	779	193	96	1.19	0.71	1.26	2.84	4.39	
Pocatello	73	31	52	-5	813	202	110	0.51	0.19	1.03	2.80	4.00	
Rexburg	70	32	49	-7	671	160	73	0.59	0.11	1.38	2.16	4.27	
Salmon 5/	70	37	--	--	658	169	--	0.10	--	1.82	2.28	--	

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	72	60	77	60	79	63	71	65	71	64	69	57	69	56	73	61
Parma	--	--	--	--	60	59	61	59	61	60	--	--	--	--	61	59
Sandpoint	58	50	60	48	62	52	59	54	61	54	--	--	--	--	60	52
Twin Falls	58	48	68	56	65	52	58	49	65	56	58	49	57	46	61	51

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