



## Wet Conditions Delay Spring Plantings

Days suitable for field work for the week ending Sunday, April 10, 2005, were 3.1. Topsoil moisture was rated 22% adequate and 78% surplus. Irrigation water supply was rated 95% adequate and 5% surplus. There were measurable amounts of rainfall during the week across most of the state. Temperatures were above normal in most areas of the state for much of the week. Agricultural producers continued field preparation for spring crops as field conditions permitted. Other activities included equipment repair, fertilizing, spraying small grains, tending greenhouses, and transplanting greenhouse crops. Vegetable planting started in the south where field conditions permitted. Pruning and spraying of fruit trees continued. Small grains and hay crops began to green up. Condition of small grains and hay crops was fair to good. Apple tree buds started to swell.

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