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CROP SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING JUNE 15, 2003

NEW MEXICO: There were 6.7 days suitable for fieldwork. The week's scattered storms brought some rain and hail, causing damage mostly to cotton and chile. Wind damage was 23% light, 6% moderate, and 1% severe. Hail damage was 8% light, 1% moderate, and 1% severe. Farmers spent the week watering, cutting, and baling alfalfa. They were also busy tending to their gardens, fertilizing, and watering other crops. Leaf hoppers were reported in northwest Doña Ana County. Alfalfa conditions saw some improvement, but were still listed as mostly fair to good. The first cutting was getting close to completion with 94% cut, and the second made good progress with 45% cut. Corn remained in mostly fair to good condition, with the crop 100% emerged. Cotton was reported as mostly fair to excellent, with 24% squaring. Total sorghum was 50% planted. Total winter wheat was 33% harvested, and conditions were listed as 46% very poor, 23% poor, 20% fair, and 11% good. Peanuts were nearly all planted and 6% of the crop was pegging. Peanut conditions remained in mostly fair to good condition. Onions were listed as fair to excellent and 53% harvested. Chile conditions were reported as mostly fair to good, apples were reported as poor to good, and pecans were reported as fair to excellent. Ranchers spent the week branding, watering, and feeding. Cattle conditions saw little change at 6% very poor, 18% poor, 36% fair, and 40% good. Sheep on the other hand declined to 16% very poor, 29% poor, 39% fair, and 16% good. Pasture and range conditions dropped slightly to 30% very poor, 36% poor, 29% fair, and 5% good.

CROP PROGRESS PERCENTAGES WITH COMPARISONS

CROP PROGRESS		This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Average
COTTON	Squaring	24	9	16	22
ONIONS	Harvested	53	48	38	28
PEANUTS	Planted	97	80	93	69
	Pegging	6	0	17	3
SORGHUM (ALL)	Planted	50	32	35	57
WHEAT (ALL)	Harvested	33	12	44	33

CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION PERCENTAGES

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa	7	12	38	36	7
Apples	-	15	80	5	--
Chile	2	14	23	52	9
Corn	-	-	59	37	4
Cotton	-	6	44	33	17
Onions	-	-	9	67	24
Peanuts	-	8	57	35	--
Pecans	-	-	24	57	19
Wheat (All)	46	23	20	11	--
Cattle	6	18	36	40	--
Sheep	16	29	39	16	--
Range/Pasture	30	36	29	5	--

SOIL MOISTURE PERCENTAGES

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Northwest	44	53	3	-
Northeast	54	32	14	-
Southwest	70	30	-	-
Southeast	51	32	17	-
State	53	36	11	-
State-Last Year	72	19	9	-
State-5-Yr Avg.	37	31	32	-

WEATHER SUMMARY

Last week was a typical mid-June week for New Mexico, with hit and miss thunderstorms favoring the eastern plains. Clovis (.92") reported the greatest amount of rain. A number of severe thunderstorm warnings were issued for the eastern counties Friday through Sunday afternoons for hail and associated wind. Temperatures were close to normal at most locations. Extremes ranged from 29° to Chama on the 12th to 100° at Animas on the 15th.

NEW MEXICO WEATHER CONDITIONS JUNE 9-15, 2003

Station	Temperature			Precipitation				
	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	06/09 06/15	06/01 06/15	Normal June	01/01 06/15	Normal Jan-Jun
Carlsbad	80.4	98	59	0.01	0.10	1.30	3.20	3.95
Tatum	73.6	95	54	0.36	1.05	2.03	3.02	6.17
Roswell	76.2	97	57	0.30	0.30	1.52	1.40	4.75
Clayton	66.8	90	51	0.30	1.29	2.27	4.87	6.30
Clovis	71.8	91	54	0.92	2.93	2.84	4.89	7.01
Roy	65.6	85	50	0.27	0.74	2.08	1.57	6.06
Tucumcari	72.6	93	54	T	1.06	1.78	5.53	5.27
Chama	56.1	84	29	0.00	0.13	1.12	7.48	8.84
Johnson Ranch	64.6	90	40	0.00	0.67	0.68	3.34	3.77
Capulin	60.9	85	41	0.72	1.60	2.11	4.86	7.27
Las Vegas	63.1	83	43	0.04	0.12	1.92	2.28	5.76
Los Alamos	65.0	79	47	0.16	0.35	1.36	3.70	6.41
Raton	63.4	84	44	0.47	1.88	1.99	4.35	7.16
Santa Fe	64.9	88	41	0.01	0.06	1.17	2.22	5.26
Red River	54.2	78	30	0.27	0.38	1.40	8.06	8.92
Farmington	69.6	93	44	T	0.01	0.22	1.90	3.37
Gallup	63.7	91	37	0.00	0.00	0.45	1.56	4.19
Grants	66.6	89	41	0.00	0.06	0.55	1.88	3.03
Silver City	67.2	89	47	T	0.00	0.70	1.91	4.90
Quemado	60.2	88	35	0.10	0.10	0.74	2.70	4.19
Albuquerque	74.9	91	56	T	0.15	0.59	2.71	3.05
Carrizozo	70.7	90	48	0.00	0.00	0.78	2.25	3.50
Gran Quivera	68.9	87	48	0.01	0.03	1.01	1.62	4.71
Moriarty	68.7	93	45	0.14	0.26	0.92	2.58	3.99
Ruidoso	62.7	82	41	0.08	0.44	1.86	3.21	6.97
Socorro	72.4	91	50	0.11	0.11	0.57	0.94	2.50
Alamogordo	78.2	97	57	0.00	0.00	0.90	1.31	3.28
Animas	78.0	100	59	0.00	0.00	0.44	1.46	2.48
Deming	75.5	99	52	T	0.00	0.55	2.01	2.28
T or C	76.9	93	56	T	0.04	0.69	1.20	2.58
Las Cruces	77.6	97	53	0.06	0.12	0.72	1.88	2.27

(T) Trace (-) No Report (*) Correction

All reports based on preliminary data. Precipitation data corrected monthly from official observation forms.