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Moisture Conditions on a Decline

Oklahoma producers experienced another consecutive week of above normal temperatures with no precipitation. Average highs reached near 70 degrees and no rainfall was reported for any district in the State. High winds also added to the drought conditions. Some areas experienced wild fires on native pastures last week due to the excessively dry weather. Topsoil moisture declined from last week with 79 percent in the short to very short range. Subsoil moisture continued to diminish with 86 percent rated as short to very short. Producers continued to hope for more rainfall to help replenish soil moisture supplies. There were 6.7 days suitable for fieldwork.

Row Crops: Sorghum harvest made significant progress by jumping 17 points from last week to 92 percent, 5 points ahead of normal. Soybean and peanut harvest were coming to a close at 97 and 96 percent, respectively. Cotton harvest advanced slightly to 84 percent, 14 points ahead of normal.

Hay: Alfalfa and other hay harvest continued to slowly wind down with cuttings slightly behind normal. Hay supplies remained below average and will continue to decline as livestock require supplemental feeding with the drought conditions.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	41	38	21	0
Last Week	32	37	31	0
Last Year	46	41	13	0

SUBSOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	53	33	14	0
Last Week	48	38	14	0
Last Year	35	40	25	0

Small Grains: All small grain crops remained mostly in the good to fair range. Wheat and oat emergence showed only slight progress from last week at 92 and 75 percent, respectively. Because of the State's current trend in dry weather, older wheat stands were beginning to show signs of stress. Wheat producers believe a good drenching rainfall is needed to increase the crop's productivity. Some producers continued to turn cattle out on wheat pasture.

HAY CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week Ending November 26, 2006

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa	20	33	29	15	3
Other Hay	35	33	20	10	2

Pasture and Range: Pasture and range conditions continued to decline with 64 percent of the pastures in poor to very poor condition. Cool season pastures remained in a critical state from the ongoing dry temperatures and warm weather.

Livestock: Livestock remained in mostly good to fair condition. Livestock marketings were average with moderate to light insect activity. Producers continued to haul water to livestock due to the lack of rainfall received in the past few weeks.

SMALL GRAINS CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week Ending November 26, 2006

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Wheat					
This Week	10	14	34	32	10
Last Week	10	11	34	35	10
Last Year	5	12	42	39	2
Rye	8	16	44	30	2
Oats	1	7	59	32	1

LIVESTOCK CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week Ending November 26, 2006

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Livestock	8	11	42	36	3
Pasture & Range	29	35	29	6	1

THIS IS THE FINAL WEEKLY CROP WEATHER REPORT OF THE SEASON. MONTHLY CROP WEATHER WILL BEGIN JANUARY 2, 2007.

OKLAHOMA CROP PROGRESS

Week Ending November 26, 2006

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 - Yr Avg.	Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 - Yr Avg.
Wheat - Emerged	92	90	97	95	Peanuts - Combined	96	93	100	91
Oats - Planted	80	77	67	69	Cotton - Harvested	84	80	70	70
Emerged	75	72	62	65	Alfalfa - 5 th Cutting	83	80	100	85
Sorghum - Harvested	92	75	91	87	6 th Cutting	22	20	70	23
Soybeans - Harvested	97	94	97	91	Other Hay - 2 nd Cutting	86	83	100	98

Weather for Week Ending November 26, 2006: Temperatures ranged from 15 degrees at Beaver on Monday, November 20th to 78 degrees at Marena on Thursday, November 23rd. Precipitation averaged 0.00 inches in all districts. Soil temperatures averaged 40 degrees at Vinita on Monday, November 20th to 63 degrees at Hugo on Sunday, November 26th.

MESONET TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION DATA

Week Ending November 26, 2006

Districts	Temperature			This Week	Precipitation		
	High	Low	Average		September 1, 2006 to November 26, 2006		
					Total	Departure from Normal	Percent of Normal
	<i>Degrees</i>	<i>Degrees</i>	<i>Degrees</i>	<i>Inches</i>	<i>Inches</i>	<i>Inches</i>	<i>Inches</i>
Panhandle	68	31	49	0.00	2.64	-1.65	62
West Central	67	39	52	0.00	4.45	-2.64	63
Southwest	69	41	54	0.00	8.06	0.19	102
North Central	68	38	52	0.00	1.97	-5.62	26
Central	69	43	55	0.00	5.86	-4.34	57
South Central	69	43	55	0.00	8.82	-2.46	78
Northeast	69	42	54	0.00	4.26	-7.29	37
East Central	68	43	54	0.00	9.92	-3.04	77
Southeast	68	40	53	0.00	12.03	-1.89	86

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