



Crop Progress and Condition



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ALASKA: There were **6.0 days suitable for fieldwork**. **Wind or rain damage to crops** was reported as 95% none, 5% light. Range and pasture conditions were 15% poor, 45% fair, 40% good. **Winter supplies of hay** were reported as 5% short, 95% adequate. Temperatures last week were generally warmer than normal in the major growing areas. Precipitation in the Tanana Valley and Southcentral varied but was generally light. Parts of the Kenai Peninsula received over an inch of rain.

TANANA VALLEY: There was **6.0 days suitable for fieldwork** last week. **Wind or rain damage to crops** was reported as 100% none. **Farm activities** for the week included barley harvest nearing completion; wheat, oats and peas were also combined. Good progress was made on baling straw though there is much left if weather allows. Both high moisture and dry hay was baled. Potatoes were harvested.

MATANUSKA VALLEY: There were **6.0 days suitable for fieldwork** last week. **Wind or rain damage to crops** was reported as 95% none, 5% light. **Farm activities** for the week included harvesting high moisture and dry hay, fall tillage, irrigation, harvesting vegetables and potatoes, cutting sod.

Soil Moisture -- Alaska

	Very short (percent)	Short (percent)	Adequate (percent)	Surplus (percent)
Topsoil Moisture – State.....	0	25	75	0
Tanana Valley.....	0	0	100	0
Matanuska Valley.....	0	60	40	0
Subsoil Moisture – State	0	25	75	0
Tanana Valley.....	0	0	100	0
Matanuska Valley.....	0	60	40	0

Soil Temperatures (F⁰) at 4 inch depth

	Grass			Fallow			Air Temperature		Precipitation (inches)
	2019	2018	2017	2019	2018	2017	High	Low	
Sawmill Creek	50	46	47	na	na	na	72	28	0.02
UAF - Matanuska Experiment Farm.....	57	na	na	55	na	na	64	46	0.17

Pan evaporation ^{1/} UAF Matanuska Experiment Farm : 0.41

Pan evaporation is an indirect estimation of evapotranspiration or consumptive water use by plants. A positive reading indicates that evaporation exceed precipitation. na – not available.

Crop Progress -- Alaska

	Percent completed			
	This week (percent)	Last week (percent)	Last year (percent)	5 year average (percent)
Barley harvested.....	95	85	44	64
Oats harvested.....	50	15	0	19
Potatoes harvested.....	75	60	33	38
Hay harvested, second cutting	70	60	55	57

na – not available

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