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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION
WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 27, 2020

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: By the end of the week, 40 percent of the cotton acreage had been defoliated compared with 29 percent last year, and 16 percent had been harvested compared with 14 percent last year, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Cotton conditions were rated mostly good. Alfalfa conditions were rated mostly good to excellent, depending on location last week with harvesting taking place on more than three-quarters of the alfalfa acreage across the state. Statewide, pasture and range conditions were rated mostly fair to poor. Extreme to severe dryness and high temperatures have affected forage growth in the entire state. Some concentrated precipitation was reported in the north central part of the state, but not enough to improve soil moisture conditions.

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DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

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## CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

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