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**Excellent Week for Field Work:** Delaware had 6.0 and Maryland had 5.0 days suitable for field work. In Delaware Winter wheat planting continues behind schedule, Barley planting 8 percent behind compare to the five year average and 9 percent behind compare to last year, Corn for grain harvest nearly complete. In Maryland Winter wheat planting coming along behind by 8 percent compare to last year percentage average and Barley 10 percent behind compare to last year percentage average. Maryland and Delaware Soybean harvest behind over 10 percent average compare to last year harvest.

Temperatures for today are from the low 40's to the high nearing 61 degrees Fahrenheit. Temperature for this week will range from the mid 40's to the low 30's. Sunday expect 20 percent chance of rain in the afternoon. Windy conditions will appear both Wednesday and Friday with winds blowing approximately to the high 14 mph coming from the North West. Field activities should continue to include harvesting soybeans and corn for grain and planting winter wheat and barley.

## **MD Moisture for Week Ending November 11th, 2014** (100% total)

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Subsoil	0%	2%	98%	0%
Topsoil	0%	1%	95%	4%

## **MD Crop Condition (in %):**

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Pasture	2	3	31	41	23
Soybean	2	4	17	51	26

## **MD Crop Progress (in %):**

	November 11th	Last Year	5-year Average
Alfalfa 5 <sup>th</sup> Cutting	57	54	59
Barley Planted	89	99	97
Barley Emerged	71	91	60
Corn Harvested for Grain	87	95	92
Other Hay 3 <sup>rd</sup> Cutting	76	n/a	n/a
Other hay 4 <sup>th</sup> Cutting	28	59	54
Soybean Dropping Leaves	96	99	98
Soybean Mature	87	n/a	n/a
Soybean Harvested	53	64	68
Winter Wheat Planted	80	88	89
Winter Wheat Emerged	52	75	71

**DE Crop Progress (in %):**

	November 11th	Last Year	5-year Average
Alfalfa 5 <sup>th</sup> Cutting	29	20	41
Corn Harvested for Grain	95	98	97
Barley Planted	90	99	98
Barley Emerged	55	75	69
Other Hay 4 <sup>th</sup> Cutting	55	80	77
Soybeans Mature	96	n/a	n/a
Soybeans Harvested	53	69	65
Winter Wheat Planted	47	75	82
Winter Wheat Emerged	34	57	64

**DE Moisture for Week Ending November 11th, 2014**  
**(100% total)**

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Subsoil	0	31	59	10
Topsoil	0	16	74	10

**DE Crop Condition (in %):**

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Pasture	4	15	43	34	4
Soybean	3	12	25	40	20

**Hay and Roughage Supplies**

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
MD	0	16	78	5
DE	0	5	86	9

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## November 9, 2014 Maryland and Delaware Weekly Weather Summary

		Last Week Weather Summary						Accumulation Since April 1, 2014					
		Temperature				Precipitation		Precipitation			GDD Base 50F		Base 40F
State	Station	Hi	Lo	Avg	DFN	Total	Days	Total	DFN	Days	Total	DFN	Total
Maryland	Baltimore_Washi	69	30	50	+2	0.60	2	34.68	+8.73	71	3784	+284	5956
	Beltsville	69	30	49	-1	0.56	2	31.50	+3.36	79	3648	+50	5808
	Brighton_Dam	69	28	49	+2	0.75	2	33.00	+4.31	71	3291	-17	5419
	Cumberland	75	27	49	+3	0.70	3	27.33	+3.40	86	3410	+179	5535
	Emmitsburg	69	30	47	-1	0.64	1	34.33	+5.56	81	3110	-192	5242
	Frostburg	66	24	43	+2	0.76	3	27.10	-1.13	97	2336	+177	4322
	Hagerstown_AP	71	32	51	+4	0.39	2	26.87	+1.03	73	3534	+250	5684
	Mechanicsville	68	29	49	-2	0.34	2	23.45	-6.33	81	3568	-89	5721
	Millers_4NE	71	29	49	+1	0.98	2	28.94	+1.65	91	3185	+33	5317
	Ocean_City_AP	69	28	51	-2	0.53	1	22.24	-6.12	58	3687	-150	5851
	Oxon_Hill	67	31	50	-1	0.59	2	29.78	+1.39	75	3870	+215	6054
	Patuxent_River	67	31	52	-1	0.27	2	24.64	-2.24	69	4018	+33	6203
	Reisterstown	70	28	47	-2	0.82	2	31.66	+4.22	92	3090	-364	5227
	Salisbury_AP	72	30	53	+2	0.33	1	19.62	-9.12	56	4315	+594	6509
	Savage_River_Da	68	26	45	+3	0.65	2	21.61	-4.43	70	2498	+133	4536
	Sharpsburg_5S	72	25	47	0	0.42	1	32.20	+5.69	83	3049	+45	5149
	Sines_Deep_Cree	62	24	41	-3	1.25	3	35.31	+4.70	112	2157	-56	4112
	Stevensville	64	30	50	+1	0.87	2	27.83	-0.31	80	3894	+221	6078
	Washington_DC_A	69	36	55	+4	0.52	2	27.96	+3.23	72	4680	+574	6898
Delaware	Dover_AFB	70	32	51	-2	0.73	3	24.12	-5.02	70	3760	-119	5928
	Georgetown_AP	71	29	52	+2	0.39	3	27.02	-1.05	72	3973	+506	6152
	Wilmington_DE	71	30	50	+2	0.60	2	32.54	+5.63	70	3745	+255	5917

Summary based on NWS data. DFN = Departure From Normal.

Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches.

Air Temperatures in Degrees Fahrenheit.

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## REPORTERS COMMENTS, By County

*Reporters are from Extension Service (Ext), Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), Farm Service Agency (FSA), Conservation District (CD), farmers, commodity specialists, or other knowledgeable individuals.*

### **Sussex County, DE – Harry Hudson**

Coming off a generally good year for all crops.

### **Frederick, MD – Stan Fultz**

Corn has been very slow to dry.

### **Harford County, MD - Patricia Hoopes**

It appears that all cover crops are in, but I know of at least one person who will harvest corn the end of the week and the harvester will be followed by the planter for a cover crop in rye. It seemed like the rain stopped the corn harvest for a few growers but they will start tomorrow again.

### **Montgomery & Howard Counties, MD - Charles Schuster**

Howard County had 0.9 and Montgomery County had 1.0 inches of rain fell during the reporting period. Temperatures dropped into the mid twenties, so any remaining warm season crops have now ended the season. Apples are near the end in this region. Corn and soybean harvest continues as ground allows, as the moisture has kept some areas too wet to get machinery on. Pumpkins ended the season strong with a heavy disease pressure, but where managed well, pumpkins were able to get by with a good yield. Wheat planting continues with most planned acres planted.

### **ST Mary's, MD – Ben Beale**

Corn harvest is wrapping up. Most farmers switched to beans, which are starting to shatter some. Yields have been better than expected for the most part.

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