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**Poor Week for Field Work:** Both Maryland and Delaware had an average of 2.0 days suitable for fieldwork this reporting period. Precipitation in Maryland reached a maximum of 3.33 inches of rainfall, reported from Patuxent, while Delaware reached a maximum of 2.45 inches of rainfall, reported from Wilmington. Number of days of precipitation ranged from 3 to 6 across the region. The temperature high was 75°F in both Salisbury (MD) and Georgetown (DE), while the low was 18°F in Sines Deep Creek (MD). Continued rainfall and some severe weather has slowed or halted grain harvest and cover crop/commodity wheat planting for some. Concerns about yield and quality have continued for soybeans across the region. Pasture and range condition has reportedly degraded this week, with most now reporting a fair or worse condition. Fieldwork activities (when applicable) this reporting period included harvest of grain corn and soybeans, winter wheat and barley planting, and cutting of hay.

## MD Crop Progress as of November 11, 2018 (in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.
CORN: HARVESTED FOR GRAIN	92	91	86	91
HAY, OTHER: THIRD CUTTING	68	67	N/A	N/A
HAY, OTHER: FOURTH CUTTING	60	58	73	N/A
SOYBEANS: MATURE	97	94	93	N/A
SOYBEANS: HARVESTED	60	59	57	69
WINTER WHEAT: PLANTED	78	75	62	80
WINTER WHEAT: EMERGED	67	51	39	64

## MD Soil Moisture for Week Ending November 11, 2018 (in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	0	0	11	89
SUBSOIL	0	0	24	76

## MD Crop Conditions as of November 11, 2018 (in percent)

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
PASTURE AND RANGE	1	15	63	19	2

**DE Soil Moisture for Week Ending November 11, 2018**

(in percent)

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
TOPSOIL	0	0	41	59
SUBSOIL	0	0	51	49

**DE Crop Conditions as of November 11, 2018**

(in percent)

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
PASTURE AND RANGE	2	16	62	16	4
SOYBEANS	8	11	32	44	5

**DE Crop Progress as of November 11, 2018**

(in percent)

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Avg.
HAY, OTHER: FOURTH CUTTING	86	85	86	79
SOYBEANS: HARVESTED	36	24	54	61
WINTER WHEAT: PLANTED	96	89	74	74
WINTER WHEAT: EMERGED	76	52	55	57

## November 11, 2018 Maryland and Delaware Weekly Weather Summary

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		Last Week Weather Summary						Accumulation Since April 1, 2018					
		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	62	26	48	-1	2.77	3	37.92	+11.35	102	4570	+934	6724
	CUMBERLAND 2	69	22	44	-4	1.67	5	51.04	+26.90	106	3822	+134	5855
	EMMITSBURG 2 SE	58	26	44	-2	2.60	4	57.01	+28.94	98	3670	+504	5699
	FREDERICK AP	63	30	47	-3	1.27	3	18.74	-7.59	47	4156	+156	6274
	FROSTBURG 2	62	19	41	-3	1.56	5	55.12	+26.74	123	2901	+522	4783
	GAITHERSBURG AP	59	25	47	-3	1.96	4	40.37	+14.58	108	3984	+272	6078
	HAGERSTOWN WASH	61	26	46	-2	2.16	3	43.99	+18.32	105	4142	+774	6244
	MECHANICSVILLE	66	27	49	-1	2.76	4	59.66	+30.39	90	3947	+466	6053
	MILLERS 4 NE	58	24	44	-3	2.39	4	56.98	+28.43	104	3682	+562	5722
	OCEAN CITY MUNI	69	29	54	+3	1.47	4	41.23	+14.87	93	4066	+456	6204
	OXON HILL	63	29	50	-2	3.31	5	46.27	+16.74	88	4320	+298	6474
	PATUXENT RIVER	72	30	52	0	3.33	3	48.65	+18.66	98	4918	+909	7122
	REISTERSTOWN 2	59	25	46	-2	2.35	6	56.48	+27.83	130	3603	+162	5618
	SALISBURY WICOM	75	28	52	+1	1.35	3	42.09	+13.68	104	4336	+678	6472
	SAVAGE RIVER DA	63	20	42	-2	1.34	3	45.16	+18.72	101	2662	+124	4476
	SINES DEEP CREE	60	18	40	-2	0.77	4	42.67	+12.05	104	2004	-236	3471
	STEVENSVILLE 2S	65	33	51	0	2.75	4	46.50	+11.84	87	4536	+684	6701
	WASHINGTON DC A	66	31	51	-1	2.77	3	54.61	+28.82	96	4774	+515	6967
Delaware	DOVER AFB	70	30	52	0	2.36	4	43.20	+13.82	96	4254	+327	6399
	GEORGETOWN SUSS	75	30	53	+3	1.75	3	41.72	+13.05	102	4433	+692	6600
	WILMINGTON NEW	63	27	48	-1	2.45	3	38.98	+11.00	105	4071	+462	6176

Summary based on NOAA Regional Climate Centers (RCCs) data. DFN = departure from normal.  
Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches. Air temperature in degrees Fahrenheit. Climate normals used are for the 1981-2010 period.

## 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.*

### **Frederick County, MD – Matt Morris**

Another week of extremely rainy weather has stopped harvest and small grain planting. Pastures are quickly degrading as there has been no regrowth for weeks and they're starting to become trampled and muddy.

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

2.5 inches of rain fell in the region during the reporting period. This continues to slow cover crop and commodity wheat planting. Corn and soybean harvest is slowed as fields are wet and difficult to get over without causing damage. Cold temperatures ended the reporting period with a low of 28 degrees F. Fields are still showing excess water with areas puddling.

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

Soybean harvest held up by excessively wet weather. Some people are barely started with soybean harvest because of the lack of dry weather Soybeans are molding in the pods. Still some corn on the ground out there needing to be harvested.

### **Sussex County, DE - John Timmons**

Poor soybean harvesting conditions due to rain that keeps fields too saturated in places and/or easterly winds. No soybean harvest this past week and little or no harvest predicted by me this coming week due to forecast rain Tuesday and Friday. Normally after Thanksgiving good harvest days for soybeans are few.