General
According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Georgia, there were 4.8 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, September 11, 2022. Precipitation ranged from 0.2 inches to 4.8 inches of rain. Average high temperatures ranged from the high 70s to the high 80s. Average low temperatures ranged from the mid 60s to the low 70s.

Crops
Most of the state saw scattered showers which helped maintain adequate soil moisture levels. Parts of northwest Georgia reported major flooding which is anticipated to result in crop loss and poor livestock conditions. Consistent rain over the past few weeks has delayed harvesting activities and increased disease pressure in some areas.

Corn fields continued to be harvested, although many areas again reported field conditions to be too wet. Cotton bolls continued to open as boll rot was reported across southern Georgia due to the wet weather. Defoliant is anticipated to be applied this week to cotton if weather conditions permit. Early peanuts began being dug, although sunny weather conditions were reported to be needed to finish out the peanut crop. Soybeans continued to set pods and drop leaves. Caterpillar pests were reported to be an issue in eastern Georgia peanuts and soybeans. Wet conditions continued to delay hay harvest in many areas. Armyworms and bermudagrass stem maggots were reported in eastern Georgia hayfields.

Livestock and Pastures
Cattle remained in good condition throughout the state. Temperatures continued to decline which was beneficial for livestock. Pastures remained in mostly good to fair condition. Pasture growth was able to keep up with grazing for livestock.