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Excellent Week for Field Work: Delaware had 5.0 and Maryland had 5.5 days suitable for field work. In both states corn and soybean harvest continues to improve slowly compare to last year's and the five years average, still due to wet conditions in the fields. Alfalfa 4th cutting is nearly over and apple harvesting is almost fully harvested for both states. Winter wheat planted progressing compare to the last year average in Maryland and behind schedule in Delaware.

Temperatures for this week will range from the high 60's to the low 40's. There may be windy condition in some part of the region. Shower expected on Wednesday with 50% chance. Field activities should continue to include harvesting corn for grain and soybean and planting wheat and barley.

MD Moisture for Week Ending October 26th, 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	32	40	23
Soybean	2	4	12	56	26

MD Crop Progress (in %):

	October 26th	Last Year	5-year Average
Alfalfa 4 rd Cutting	95	97	94
Alfalfa 5 th Cutting	43	n/a	32
Apples Harvested	95	90	95
Barley Planted	70	90	88
Barley Emerged	44	69	30
Corn Harvested for Grain	71	88	84
Other Hay 3 rd Cutting	68	n/a	n/a
Other hay 4 th Cutting	27	40	39
Soybean Coloring	98	90	96
Soybean Dropping Leaves	86	90	90
Soybean Mature	68	n/a	n/a
Soybean Harvested	35	47	44
Winter Wheat Planted	59	47	70
Winter Wheat Emerged	31	45	44

DE Moisture for Week Ending October 26th, 2014
(100% total)

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Subsoil	0	34	66	0
Topsoil	0	11	81	8

DE Crop Condition (in %):

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Pasture	3	17	42	34	4
Soybean	2	13	24	42	19

Hay and Roughage Supplies

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
MD	1	17	77	5
DE	0	0	68	32

DE Crop Progress (in %):

	October 26th	Last Year	5-year Average
Alfalfa 4 th Cutting	95	99	93
Alfalfa 5 th Cutting	21	n/a	25a
Apples Harvested	94	99	97
Corn Harvested for Grain	90	95	91
Corn for Silage	93	93	n/a
Barley Planted	48	91	89
Barley Emerged	33	56	27
Other Hay 4 th Cutting	51	59	63
Soybeans Coloring	96	85	96
Soybeans Dropping Leaves	94	94	94
Soybeans Mature	80	n/a	n/a
Soybeans Harvested	14	32	38
Winter Wheat Planted	38	63	61
Winter Wheat Emerged	23	39	36

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October 26, 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	71	35	56	+4	1.67	2	33.92	+9.37	66	3719	+252	5773
	Beltsville	71	37	54	+2	0.68	2	30.95	+4.35	77	3605	+46	5656
	Brighton_Dam	69	34	53	+1	1.00	2	32.13	+5.03	68	3245	-34	5272
	Cumberland	73	37	52	+2	0.47	2	26.26	+3.64	79	3360	+153	5382
	Emmitsburg	70	33	52	-1	0.24	3	33.47	+6.38	78	3078	-192	5106
	Frostburg	64	35	48	+2	0.51	4	26.05	-0.52	90	2310	+151	4225
	Hagerstown_AP	72	38	55	+4	0.12	2	26.34	+2.08	69	3476	+222	5512
	Mechanicsville	69	35	53	-2	0.37	3	22.98	-5.12	76	3516	-92	5567
	Millers_4NE	68	33	54	+3	0.82	2	27.87	+2.21	87	3140	+22	5172
	Ocean_City_AP	72	33	56	0	1.15	2	21.58	-5.22	55	3618	-157	5666
	Oxon_Hill	71	39	55	0	1.13	3	29.18	+2.25	72	3812	+213	5878
	Patuxent_River	70	37	57	0	0.83	2	24.26	-1.23	66	3933	+18	5997
	Reisterstown	71	36	53	0	1.14	3	30.64	+4.74	89	3051	-366	5086
	Salisbury_AP	75	34	58	+4	0.38	2	19.24	-7.96	53	4228	+562	6296
	Savage_River_Da	64	35	48	+2	0.62	1	20.69	-4.00	65	2473	+108	4426
	Sharpsburg_5S	72	34	51	+2	0.35	3	31.67	+6.70	81	3013	+27	5018
	Sines_Deep_Cree	66	31	46	-2	0.82	4	33.59	+4.54	106	2145	-68	4041
	Stevensville	70	42	57	+4	0.89	2	26.73	+0.13	76	3832	+199	5897
Washington_DC_A	74	45	60	+5	1.10	3	27.41	+4.08	69	4576	+532	6659	
Delaware	Dover_AFB	69	36	57	0	0.40	3	22.57	-5.17	65	3693	-122	5741
	Georgetown_AP	72	35	57	+3	0.55	2	26.16	-0.37	66	3898	+479	5957
	Wilmington_DE	71	36	56	+3	0.54	3	31.22	+5.69	65	3695	+239	5751

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

Frost has touched everything now. Soybean harvest picking up steam - still a lot of moisture out there holding things up. There is still a bit of standing corn.

Sussex County, DE – John Timmons

Local acreage of Wheat planting is lower due to disease and poor yields experienced in the previous three years. Excellent harvest conditions for corn and soybeans this year. Local grain buyers corn storage facilities are now full.

Harford County, MD – Patricia Hoopes

The farmers have been busy since the weather has been better. Corn grain moisture held around 22.5% for a few weeks but folks were busy harvesting this past week. They are working on getting in the cover crops and some have come up. We have had two days hard frost.

Montgomery & Howard Counties, MD - Charles Schuster

1.0 inches of rain fell during the reporting period. Soybean and corn harvest is progressing well, with many producers finished for the season. Wheat planting is going well. Frost occurred for many in the region during the last reporting period causing an end to many of the remaining vegetables. Pastures have received needed moisture to keep them current with need where managed properly.

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