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Average Week for Field Work: Delaware and Maryland had an average of 4.0 days suitable for field work. There were an average of 4 days of precipitation with maximum of 1.98 inch of rainfall in one single city. Maximum registered temperature in some parts of the region were 83 degrees Fahrenheit with minimum of 25 degrees Fahrenheit as a result planting field progress were slowed due to wet and cold soil temperatures. Both winter wheat and barley are mostly in good condition. Field activities for the region this week were very limited with some farmers plowing, planting and fertilizing. Field activities for this coming week would focus on small grain planting in continuation with corn field planting and green peas as warmer weather conditions improves.

MD Soil Moisture for Week Ending April 3, 2016

(In percent)

| Item | Very Short | Short | Adequate | Surplus |
|---------|------------|-------|----------|---------|
| Topsoil | 1 | 7 | 71 | 21 |
| Subsoil | 0 | 6 | 82 | 12 |

MD Crop Conditions as of April 3, 2016

(In percent)

| Item | Very Poor | Poor | Fair | Good | Excellent |
|-----------------|-----------|------|------|------|-----------|
| Barley | 2 | 4 | 25 | 54 | 15 |
| Pasture & Range | 2 | 7 | 32 | 52 | 7 |
| Winter Wheat | 3 | 8 | 31 | 51 | 7 |

DE Soil Moisture for Week Ending April 3, 2016

(In percent)

| Item | Very Short | Short | Adequate | Surplus |
|-------------|-------------------|--------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Topsoil | 0 | 0 | 71 | 29 |
| Subsoil | 0 | 0 | 88 | 12 |

DE Crop Conditions as of April 3, 2016

(In percent)

| Item | Very Poor | Poor | Fair | Good | Excellent |
|-----------------|------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------------|
| Barley | 2 | 4 | 25 | 58 | 11 |
| Pasture & Range | 5 | 12 | 42 | 37 | 7 |
| Winter Wheat | 4 | 7 | 35 | 48 | 6 |

April 3, 2016 Maryland and Delaware Weekly Weather Summary

| | | Last Week Weather Summary | | | | | | Accumulation Since April 1, 2016 | | | | | |
|-----------------|-----------------|---------------------------|----|-----|------|---------------|------|----------------------------------|-------|------|--------------|-----|----------|
| | | 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 | 83 | 30 | 55 | +7 | 0.45 | 4 | 0.14 | -0.18 | 2 | 35 | +29 | 64 |
| | Beltsville_HYD | 80 | 25 | 52 | +4 | 0.52 | 4 | 0.16 | -0.17 | 2 | 25 | +19 | 53 |
| | Brighton_Dam | 80 | 28 | 52 | +5 | 0.73 | 3 | 0.13 | -0.23 | 1 | 28 | +22 | 54 |
| | Cumberland | 80 | 28 | 52 | +5 | 0.37 | 3 | 0.18 | -0.12 | 2 | 27 | +21 | 49 |
| | Emmitsburg | 79 | 27 | 51 | +4 | 0.44 | 3 | 0.26 | -0.13 | 2 | 25 | +19 | 52 |
| | Frostburg | 71 | 20 | 47 | +7 | 0.52 | 4 | 0.27 | -0.11 | 2 | 13 | +13 | 33 |
| | Hagerstown_AP | 79 | 30 | 55 | +8 | 0.44 | 2 | 0.03 | -0.30 | 1 | 33 | +30 | 59 |
| | Mechanicsville | 81 | 30 | 54 | +4 | 0.70 | 3 | 0.32 | -0.07 | 2 | 30 | +20 | 58 |
| | Millers_4NE | 78 | 26 | 52 | +6 | 1.20 | 4 | 0.81 | +0.46 | 3 | 25 | +21 | 48 |
| | Ocean_City_AP | 70 | 32 | 53 | +3 | 0.95 | 3 | 0.79 | +0.42 | 2 | 20 | +11 | 46 |
| | Oxon_Hill | 82 | 35 | 55 | +4 | 0.22 | 3 | 0.19 | -0.14 | 2 | 32 | +20 | 61 |
| | Patuxent_River | 80 | 37 | 57 | +7 | 0.88 | 3 | 0.63 | +0.27 | 2 | 33 | +24 | 60 |
| | Reisterstown | 80 | 29 | 51 | +3 | 0.18 | 2 | 0.12 | -0.21 | 1 | 24 | +18 | 49 |
| | Salisbury_AP | 78 | 28 | 55 | +6 | 1.53 | 4 | 1.43 | +1.05 | 3 | 34 | +27 | 61 |
| | Savage_River_Da | 70 | 25 | 48 | +6 | 0.47 | 4 | 0.17 | -0.16 | 2 | 14 | +14 | 34 |
| | Sharpsburg_5S | 81 | 26 | 52 | +6 | 0.16 | 3 | 0.11 | -0.22 | 2 | 26 | +23 | 52 |
| | Sines_Deep_Cree | 70 | 24 | 46 | +3 | 0.85 | 5 | 0.26 | -0.13 | 2 | 11 | +11 | 31 |
| | Stevensville | 80 | 36 | 53 | +5 | 0.63 | 4 | 0.23 | -0.12 | 2 | 22 | +16 | 48 |
| | Upper_Marlboro | 80 | 32 | 54 | +6 | 0.61 | 4 | 0.25 | -0.08 | 2 | 29 | +23 | 57 |
| Washington_DC_A | 83 | 37 | 58 | +7 | 0.49 | 3 | 0.15 | -0.14 | 2 | 36 | +24 | 66 | |
| Delaware | Dover_AFB | 77 | 32 | 55 | +5 | 0.86 | 4 | 0.59 | +0.21 | 3 | 34 | +25 | 61 |
| | Georgetown_AP | 78 | 31 | 55 | +8 | 1.98 | 4 | 1.70 | +1.31 | 3 | 34 | +28 | 61 |
| | Wilmington_DE | 78 | 30 | 54 | +7 | 0.69 | 4 | 0.26 | -0.10 | 2 | 30 | +26 | 58 |

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

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Washington County, MD – Jeff Semler

Cold weather has delayed planting progress. When soil temperature rises corn planters will be going at breakneck speed. As for now most of wheat is looking very good and has received an application of Nitrogen. Manure is being applied and the fields are being readied.