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CROP SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 2010

NEW MEXICO: First week of February: Surface high pressure moved into northern New Mexico early in the week, bringing mostly clear skies and very cold temperatures across much of central and northern New Mexico. By midweek, precipitation returned to most sections of the state with higher amounts reported east of the central mountain chain and across the south. Average temperatures generally ranged from 10 degrees below normal in northeast New Mexico, to a few degrees below normal in the remainder of the state.

Second week of February: Two winter storm systems moved through New Mexico bringing some rain and snow. Most of the higher amounts of rain were received in the northeast and southwest with the least amount in west central of the state. Average temperatures ranged from 12 to 10 below normal in northeast New Mexico to 5 below normal to the remainder of the state.

Third week of February: This week average temperatures across the state stayed below normal. Departures from normal ranged from one degree below normal in Farmington, Gallup, Las Cruces, and Albuquerque, to 10 below normal in Roy. Average temperatures in the northern half of the state ranged from the mid twenties to mid

thirties, while the southern half of the state average temperatures ranged from the upper thirties to mid forties. Some rainfall amounts from across the state were Farmington with 0.15, Chama with 0.5, Raton 0.03, Gallup 0.04, Ruidoso 0.02 and Animas with 0.15 inches.

Last week of February: Average temperatures in the south western part of the state were in the lower to mid forties. Average temperatures in the south eastern part of the state were in the mid to upper thirties. Central New Mexico around the Albuquerque metro and Santa Fe metro areas average temperatures were in the thirties, ranging from 31F in Moriarty to 39F in Albuquerque. Northern New Mexico had average temperatures mainly in the mid twenties to the mid thirties, with Chama at an average temperature of 21F and Tucumcari at 36F. Precipitation amounts across the state ranged from a trace reported at Tatum to 0.71 inches recorded at Roswell. Some other rainfall amounts were Chama with 0.33 inches, Farmington with 0.31, Clayton 0.28, Los Alamos 0.41, Grants 0.37, Tucumcari 0.42, Las Vegas 0.08, Capulin 0.64, Ruidoso 0.29, Deming 0.10, and Carlsbad with 0.11 inches.

WEATHER SUMMARY

NEW MEXICO WEATHER CONDITIONS – FEBRUARY 2010

Station	Temperature			Precipitation		Station	Temperature			Precipitation	
	Mean	Max	Min	Feb	Jan-Feb		Mean	Max	Min	Feb	Jan-Feb
Northwest						Northeast					
Albuquerque	41.5	60	23	0.46	0.90	Capulin	23.0	46	0	0.56	0.96
Chama	17.5	44	-9	1.58	3.35	Clayton	32.5	51	14	0.31	0.55
Farmington	32.0	52	12	0.57	1.16	Clovis	41.5	65	18	0.51	0.90
Gallup	25.0	50	0	0.74	1.54	Las Vegas	26.5	50	3	0.48	1.08
Grants	27.0	54	0	0.51	1.00	Moriarty	31.0	55	7	0.48	0.91
Johnson Ranch	23.5	48	-1	0.57	1.24	Raton	27.5	50	5	0.54	1.01
Los Alamos	26.0	48	4	0.8	1.66	Roy	25.5	47	4	0.43	0.77
Red River	--	--	--	1.22	2.29	Tucumcari	38.5	67	10	0.45	0.73
Santa Fe	24.5	49	0	0.69	1.32	Southeast					
Southwest						Alamogordo	45.0	67	23	0.54	1.21
Animas	45.0	67	23	0.51	1.19	Carlsbad	47.5	73	22	0.35	0.70
Deming	45.0	69	21	0.46	1.02	Carrizozo	--	--	--	0.57	1.17
Gran Quivira	32.0	56	8	0.82	1.52	Las Cruces	47.0	69	25	0.37	0.83
Quemado	22.5	53	-8	0.72	1.55	Roswell	41.5	69	14	0.46	0.89
Socorro	--	--	--	0.39	0.78	Ruidoso	34.5	57	12	1.16	2.28
T or C	46.0	67	25	0.38	0.84	Tatum	40.0	67	13	0.5	0.89

(T) Trace (-) No Report (*) Correction - All reports based on preliminary data. Precipitation data corrected monthly from official observation forms.