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Weekly Weather and Crop Progress Report



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Week Ending November 26, 2006

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GENERAL

Most of South Carolina received adequate rainfall as well as some snow, not characteristic of this time of the year. The precipitation slowed harvesting activities, allowing for cotton gins to catch up ginning the modules. It also slowed up small grain planting for the week, but helped with those already in the field. There were 4.2 days suitable for field work. Soil moisture supplies were 7% short, 72% adequate, and 21% surplus.

FIELD CROPS

BARLEY was 99% planted and 65% emerged. **COTTON** was 75% harvested, below last year as well as the five year average. **OATS** were 85% planted and 68% emerged. **PEANUTS** were 100% harvested. **RYE** was 78% planted and 64% emerged. **SOYBEANS** had 100% of the leaves dropped with 99% matured and 56% harvested. **WINTER GRAZINGS** were at 95% planted and 90% emerged, while **WINTER WHEAT** was 51% planted and 30% emerged.

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

LIVESTOCK and **PASTURE** conditions continued to improve from the previous week, due to the rainfall.

Crop Progress for Week Ending November 26, 2006

Crop and Stage	2006	2005	5-Yr Avg	Crop and Stage	2006	2005	5-Yr Avg
	Percent	Percent	Percent		Percent	Percent	Percent
Barley, Planted	99	86	91	Soybeans, Leaves Dropped	100	100	98
Barley, Emerged	65	71	78	Soybeans, Mature	99	99	95
Cotton, Harvested	75	90	82	Soybeans, Harvested	56	68	67
Oats, Planted	85	82	87	Winter Grazings, Planted	95	91	93
Oats, Emerged	68	63	72	Winter Grazings, Emerged	90	79	81
Peanuts, Harvested	100	100	100	Winter Wheat, Planted	51	56	59
Rye, Planted	78	73	83	Winter Wheat, Emerged	30	42	44
Rye, Emerged	64	59	69				

Condition for Week Ending November 26, 2006

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent		Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Barley	0	0	0	100	0	Rye	0	0	33	67	0
Livestock	0	0	28	71	1	Soybeans	1	6	31	53	9
Oats	0	0	33	67	0	Winter Grazings	0	0	27	73	0
Pasture	0	8	44	47	1	Winter Wheat	0	10	16	73	1

South Carolina Weekly Weather Summary for the Week Ending November 26, 2006

Snow flurries spilled over the southern Appalachian Mountains Monday morning and were observed at both Table Rock and Caesars Head. On Monday evening, a coastal cyclone began developing offshore near the Florida-Georgia border. By Tuesday morning, north winds were gusting to 44 mph along South Carolina's beach facing counties. At 7:00 a.m., Charleston reported snow with thunder, setting a record for their earliest date of observed snowfall. Lodge in Colleton County and Martin in Allendale County both measured one inch of the rare accumulating snowfall. The mixture of sleet and snow gradually changed to a cold, blowing rain event that continued into Wednesday. Rainfall amounts of between three and five inches caused roadway flooding in Chesterfield, Lancaster, Dillon, and Marlboro counties. Thanksgiving Thursday dawned with blue skies Upstate and a deck of clouds from the Midlands to the coast. Sunny, clear weather along with frosty mornings and mild seasonal afternoons were observed Friday through the holiday weekend. For the period, the state average temperature was three degrees below normal.

The highest official temperature reported was 72 degrees at Givhans on November 26. The lowest official temperature reported was 24 degrees at Caesars Head on the morning of November 24. The heaviest official 24-hour rainfall reported was 5.40 inches at Pageland ending at 7:00 AM on November 22. The average statewide rainfall for the period was 1.8 inches.

SOIL: 4-inch depth average soil temperature: Columbia 58 degrees.

RIVERS AND SURF: South Carolina river stages were near to above normal. Ocean water temperatures at Springmaid Pier Myrtle Beach were reported at 59 degrees.

Precipitation

Location	Weekly Total	Jan 1 Total	Deviation from Average
Greer	0.64	37.37	-8.5
Columbia	2.78	40.07	-4.4
Orangeburg	1.25	35.51	-9.0
Charlotte, NC	3.06	42.02	2.1
Augusta, GA	0.96	35.45	-5.6
Florence	2.16	44.48	3.6
Myrtle Beach	1.35	48.79	7.0
Charleston	2.06	46.96	-1.0
Savannah, GA	0.49	31.30	-15.2

Weekly rainfall totals this period ending midnight Sunday.

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