Utah Crop Progress & Conditions

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Agricultural Summary

There was an average of 7 days suitable for field work across the State for the week ending June 8, 2014. This was the second week in a row that the average number of days suitable for field work was 7 days. **Box Elder County** experienced clear weather this week with no rain and very few clouds. Temperatures were moderate with highs in the mid-80s and lows in the 40s and 50s. **Cache County** growers enjoyed perfect weather for harvesting alfalfa hay. It is very dry in **Garfield County**. More moisture is needed to maintain irrigation supplies and range and pasture land. Dry winds in **Rich County** have made conditions tough on ranges and producers are struggling to keep up with irrigation.

Field Crop Summary

Crops look good in **Beaver County**. Grasshoppers are causing problems in some of the alfalfa fields. In **Box Elder County**, dry land wheat is suffering from a lack of rainfall and is showing signs of stress. Most alfalfa has been cut and baled. In **Cache County**, wheat, barley, oats and safflower are all doing quite well. Irrigation systems are flowing in all parts of the County. First cutting alfalfa was put up with no rain damage in **Weber County**. Corn is growing rapidly and is about 6 inches tall.

Livestock Summary

Cattlemen in **Box Elder County** are beginning to move their livestock to summer pastures and range. Sheep producers are docking and vaccinating lambs and preparing to move to summer pastures and range. In **Cache County**, livestock are doing well on grazing lands. In **Summit County** cattle and sheep are starting to be moved to summer ranges.

Soil Moisture for Week Ending June 8, 2014

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	Percent	*Percent*	*Percent*	*Percent*
Topsoil	7	50	43	-
Subsoil	6	47	46	1
Stock water supplies	3	26	70	1

Crop Progress & Development, Livestock Activity for Week Ending June 8, 2014

Item	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5-Year Ave-rage
	Crop Progress			
	Percent	*Percent*	*Percent*	*Percent*
Winter Wheat Headed	68	32	63	53
Barley Headed	57	NA	32	26
Oats Emerged	97	82	94	89
Oats Headed	28	NA	8	9
Spring Wheat Headed	32	NA	13	16
Corn Emerged	95	76	90	81
Alfalfa First Cutting	50	22	43	35
Other Hay First Cutting	36	11	24	17
Apples Full Bloom	95	91	100	96
Sheep and Lambs Moved to Pasture	95	88	81	52

Crop & Livestock Condition for Week Ending June 8, 2014

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excel-lent
	Percent	*Percent*	*Percent*	*Percent*	*Percent*
Range & Pasture	1	12	40	44	3
Winter Wheat	-	10	28	48	14
Spring Wheat	-	-	17	64	19
Barley	-	-	10	69	21
Oats	-	-	17	70	13
Sheep	-	-	16	77	7
Cattle/calves	-	2	20	66	12

Soil Moisture - Utah Soil Climate Analysis Network - Jun-2-2014

Site name	Weekly Precip	Current Precip[1]	Prev. Yr. Precip[2]	Soil Moisture 2"	4"	8"	20"	40"	Current Avail. Water**	Current Avail. Water % of AWC*	Prev. Yr. Avail. Water**	Prev. Yr. Avail. Water % of AWC*
	in.	*in.*	*in.*	*volume %*					*in.*	*%*	*in.*	*%*
WESTERN												
Grouse Creek	0.00	8.5	6.2	2	12	17	20	19	3.3	48	3.5	52
Park Valley	0.00	6.1	7.1	0	3	12	25	25	3.9	71	3.3	59
Goshute	0.00	6.1	5.7	7	0	46	33	34	2.4	84	2.4	84
Dugway	0.00	4.2	4.8	3	10	7	nd	4	0.7	44	0.7	40
Tule Valley	0.00	3.7	4.9	10	14	24	19	11	5.2	103	5.1	102
Hal's Canyon	0.00	2.9	3.1	1	0	10	12	9	1.0	20	0.9	17
Enterprise	0.00	4.1	5.0	5	26	24	14	15	1.1	28	1.0	25
DIXIE												
Sand Hollow	0.00	5.9	4.0	0	1	0	1	0	0.2	8	0.2	8
NORTH CENTRAL												
Blue Creek	0.00	8.8	7.0	20	23	32	34	20	5.0	118	4.1	96
Cache Junction	0.00	11.6	10.4	20	18	30	29	38	1.8	45	2.6	65
Grantsville	0.00	6.8	7.1	0	13	22	30	nd	1.5	46	1.0	29
SOUTH CENTRAL												
Nephi	0.00	7.3	6.3	13	16	15	8	4	0.5	12	0.6	14
Ephraim	0.00	6.8	6.1	5	10	16	17	35	1.1	24	0.9	19
Holden	0.00	5.7	5.7	4	6	1	14	14	0.8	13	0.9	16
Milford	0.00	3.9	4.9	18	27	20	28	17	2.2	34	2.0	30
Manderfield	0.00	5.9	6.1	3	13	13	11	5	0.5	10	0.7	13
Circleville	0.00	2.9	2.7	12	12	9	10	16	1.1	17	0.3	5
Panguitch	0.00	4.1	2.6	7	18	13	20	29	1.4	24	1.2	21
Cave Valley	0.00	7.7	9.9	4	0	2	4	5	1.0	18	0.2	4
Vermillion	0.03	6.7	4.9	0	1	3	5	8	0.0	1	0.0	0
Spooky	0.00	4.5	3.4	3	1	4	16	2	0.0	1	0.0	0
NORTHERN MOUNTAINS												
Chicken Ridge, sagebrush	0.00	5.3	7.5	9	13	17	23	23	4.4	61	3.6	51
Chicken Ridge, aspen	0.00	5.3	7.5	13	18	19	16	17	2.0	33	1.0	17
Buffalo Jump	0.01	5.8	6.2	8	12	13	13	na	0.4	10	0.9	20
Morgan	0.00	11.8	13.3	24	22	27	34	19	6.6	79	na	na
UINTAH BASIN												
Mountain Home	0.21	4.1	5.7	20	31	26	21	12	1.4	24	1.1	19
Little Red Fox	0.07	2.6	5.0	4	19	28	26	25	3.4	48	3.1	43
Split Mountain	0.01	4.9	4.5	5	18	14	14	13	1.6	23	1.5	23
SOUTHEAST												
Price	0.04	3.9	4.7	0	10	19	16	18	2.4	31	2.6	34
Green River	0.03	3.6	2.8	7	10	10	6	8	5.2	95	5.1	94
Harm's Way	0.01	6.9	4.1	1	9	15	16	6	1.7	33	2.0	39
West Summit	0.01	6.1	3.0	12	18	17	18	17	1.8	29	1.3	21
Eastland	0.00	6.0	3.5	14	12	13	29	31	4.7	79	4.9	82
Alkali Mesa	0.05	5.1	4.5	10	13	16	19	14	1.0	19	0.9	18
McCracken Mesa	0.00	5.7	5.0	13	24	18	17	14	2.9	78	2.7	72

[1]from: 10/01/2013 to present [2]from: 10/01/12 to 06/02/13 na = no sensor

Frozen soils read lower than actual soil mositure; affected soil in ***bold italics***

**plant available water in the top 40" of soil nd = missing data

*AWC = available water capacity in the top 40" of soil

What the colors mean:

= below wilting point (WP); **too dry**

= between WP & FC; **ideal**

= above field capacity (FC); **too wet**