AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: The state was very dry last week, the exception was the Southeast, which had all of the 4 out of 35 weather stations that reported 0.05 inches of precipitation or more, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Alfalfa hay 1st cutting made significant progress to 44 percent complete, due to the drier conditions over the last few weeks. Barley emergence has started at 9 percent, significantly behind the previous year at 42 percent. Corn planted is at 97 percent complete and 79 percent emerged, comparable to the previous year and 5-year average. Oats emergence is nearly complete at 87 percent and heading is at 10 percent, very comparable to the previous year. Other hay 1st cutting harvested has started and is currently at 29 percent complete. Spring wheat is fully emerged and is starting to head at 3 percent complete. Winter wheat headed is at 54 percent complete, with 62 percent of the crop rated as good to excellent, down from 73 percent the previous week. Cattle and sheep moved to pasture are almost complete at 93 percent and 94 percent, respectively. Box Elder County reports a very good week, crops and animals are looking good, but temperatures have been above normal and it has been very dry. Cache County reports warmer, dryer conditions have allowed for a lot of hay to be cut and the amount of irrigation water available is superb. Stock water supplies were rated 2 percent short, 92 percent adequate, and 6 percent surplus. Irrigation water supplies were rated 4 percent fair, 71 percent good, and 25 percent excellent.

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