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UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 27, 2022

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Utah experienced dry conditions last week as fall fieldwork wrapped up, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Topsoil moisture level conditions rated adequate to surplus increased from 68 percent last week to 69 percent this week. According to the United States Drought Monitor published on November 23, 2022, 100 percent of the State continues to experience drought conditions. Extreme drought conditions are affecting 49 percent of the State, unchanged from last week, and 2 percent of the State is facing exceptional drought conditions. Statewide, the fourth cutting of alfalfa hay was 90 percent complete. Corn harvested for grain was 90 percent complete. Box Elder Counties reports livestock producers continued shipping calves. An estimated 78 percent of cattle and calves and 72 percent of sheep and lambs have been moved from pasture. Cattle and sheep receiving supplement feed are at 52 percent and 41 percent, respectively. Hay and roughage supplies were rated 25 percent very short, 32 percent short, 42 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus, compared to 20 percent very short, 28 percent short, 51 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus, last week. Stock water supplies were rated 12 percent very short, 32 percent short, and 56 percent adequate, compared to 13 percent very short, 23 percent short, and 64 percent adequate s last week.

Note: This report concludes the weekly crop progress report for 2022. Next year's Utah weekly report will begin in April 2023.

Monthly reports will be released for December on January 3, 2023; for January on January 30, 2023; for February on February 27, 2023; and for March on March 27, 2023.

Our thanks to the weekly reporters for providing crop progress observations during the 2022 season.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS						
Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average		
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
Alfalfa hay						
4 th cutting harvested	90	78	NA	NA		
Corn						
Harvested for grain	90	77	89	NA		
Cattle and calves						
Moved from pasture	78	73	83	NA		
Receiving supplemental feed	52	52	55	NA		
Sheep and lambs						
Moved from pasture	72	67	80	NA		
Receiving supplemental feed	41	41	60	NA		

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	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork	6.3	6.8	7.0	NA
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	" 5	2	2	" NA
Short	26	30	27	NA
Adequate	69	68	67	NA
Surplus			4	NA
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	21	13	5	NA
Short	37	39	35	NA
Adequate	42	48	58	NA
Surplus			2	NA

NA – not available

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CROP, LIVESTOCK, AND PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Pasture and range	,	. ,	,	, ,
Very poor	11	8	10	NA
Poor	36	30	32	NA
Fair	39	41	46	NA
Good	14	21	12	NA
Excellent				NA
Winter wheat				
Very poor	7	7	4	NA
Poor	13	13	24	NA
Fair	36	40	36	NA
Good	41	38	28	NA
Excellent	3	2	8	NA
Cattle and calves				
Very poor			2	NA
Poor		4	5	NA
Fair	31	23	25	NA
Good	65	66	66	NA
Excellent	4	7	2	NA
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor			1	NA
Poor	1	4	4	NA
Fair	32	28	25	NA
Good	59	63	68	NA
Excellent	8	5	2	NA

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