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## PROSPECTIVE PLANTINGS – MARCH 1, 2022

### UTAH HIGHLIGHTS

As of March 1, Utah growers intend to plant 60,000 acres of **corn** for all purposes in 2022, down 10,000 acres, or 14 percent from last year's plantings, according to the March 1 Agricultural Survey conducted by the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. If realized, this would be the lowest planted corn acreage since 2005. Growers intend to plant 14,000 acres of **barley** in 2022, down 3,000 acres from last year's actual plantings. If realized, this would be a record low barley planted acreage.

**Winter wheat** seeded last fall for harvest in 2022 is estimated at 115,000 acres, up 5,000 acres from the 2021 crop. **Hay** producers in the state intend to harvest 680,000 acres this year. This is up 10,000 acres from the acreage cut for hay in 2021.

### UNITED STATES HIGHLIGHTS

**Corn** planted area for all purposes in 2022 is estimated at 89.5 million acres, down 4 percent or 3.87 million acres from last year. Compared with last year, planted acreage is expected to be down or unchanged in 43 of the 48 estimating States.

Producers intend to seed 2.94 million acres of **barley** for the 2022 crop year, up 11 percent from the previous year.

**All wheat** planted area for 2022 is estimated at 47.4 million acres, up 1 percent from 2021. If realized, this represents the fifth lowest all wheat planted area since records began in 1919. The 2022 **winter wheat** planted area, at 34.2 million acres, is up 2 percent from last year but down less than 1 percent from the previous estimate. Of this total, about 23.7 million acres are Hard Red Winter, 6.89 million acres are Soft Red Winter, and 3.62 million acres are White Winter. Area expected to be planted to **other spring wheat** for 2022 is estimated at 11.2 million acres, down 2 percent from 2021. Of this total, about 10.5 million acres are Hard Red Spring wheat. **Durum** planted area for 2022 is expected to total 1.92 million acres, up 17 percent from the previous year.

Producers intend to harvest 50.3 million acres of **all hay** in 2022, down 1 percent from 2021. If realized, this will represent the lowest total hay harvested area since 1907.

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