Excellent Harvest Season Wraps Up

There were 4.8 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending November 27, 2016, according to the USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service. Temperatures warmed back up this week, as last weekend’s cold front left the state. Widespread rain and light snow midweek, plus above-freezing nights left fields thawed and muddy in some areas. Fall fieldwork was winding down with combining, manure spreading and tillage work mostly complete. Reporters commented that the small amount of corn still standing was unharvested due to either a lack of grain storage space or wet field conditions. Corn yields were reportedly very good for much of Wisconsin, with the large harvest contributing to storage issues. Winter wheat was in excellent condition going into the winter months, thanks to an unusually warm November.

Topsoil moisture supplies were rated 0 percent very short, 3 percent short, 81 percent adequate and 16 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were rated 0 percent very short, 2 percent short, 83 percent adequate and 15 percent surplus.

As of November 27, 96 percent of the state’s corn for grain had been harvested, 2 days ahead of last year. The average moisture of corn harvested for grain this week was 17 percent, unchanged from last week.

Ninety-nine percent of winter wheat had emerged. Winter wheat was rated 85 percent good to excellent. Fall tillage was 86 percent complete, 2 days ahead of last year.

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