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**Week of July 2 – 8, 2012**

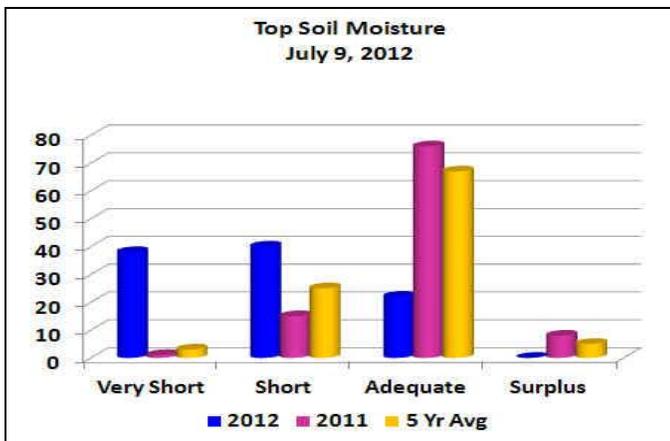
**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** Hot, dry weather continues. All stations reported above normal temperatures.

Weather conditions allowed for 6.6 days suitable for fieldwork. High temperatures ranged from 81 degrees at Lake Yellowstone to 104 degrees in Greybull and Worland. Low temperatures ranged from 38 degrees at Lake Yellowstone to 60 degrees in Torrington.

Uinta County reported livestock are showing signs from lack of good feed. Many have been turned into hay meadows. Livestock water is the biggest issue right now. Hay yields will be low for most producers, if any. Converse County reported LaPrele irrigation district was out of water before July 1. River irrigators are in good shape. Dry summer conditions persist. Weston County reported that it continues to be very hot and dry. This past week, 62,000 acres of mostly private land was burned. This, coupled with the drought, has severely impacted producers. Hay production is approximately 10-20 percent of normal. Both yearlings and cow/calf pairs are still being sold. There were reports of cattle being burned up in the fire as well as some that survived which will have to be put down due to severe injuries. Farm activities included: hauling water to livestock, moving cattle to pastures or markets, harvesting hay and spraying crops.

**SOIL MOISTURE SUPPLIES**

Topsoil	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Very Short	38	39	1	3
Short	40	46	15	25
Adequate	22	15	76	67
Surplus	0	0	8	5



**FIELD CROP REPORT:** Winter wheat harvest has begun and is nearing the half way point with 44 percent complete. First cutting is complete for 87 percent of alfalfa and 41 percent of the other hay acreage has been harvested. Alfalfa condition is rated at 30 percent poor to very poor, 38 percent fair, and 32 percent good to excellent. Other hay condition is rated at 37 percent poor to very poor, 47 percent fair and 16 percent good to excellent.

**IRRIGATION WATER SUPPLIES**

	This Week	As of 6/25	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Very Short	15	17	0	3
Short	32	28	0	9
Adequate	53	55	85	80
Surplus	0	0	15	8

**CROP CONDITION TABLE**

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excel
Barley	1	4	49	44	2
Oats	4	14	64	18	0
Spring Wheat	5	26	46	23	0
Winter Wheat	3	33	51	13	0
Corn	1	15	54	29	1
Sugarbeets	0	1	43	50	6
Dry Beans	0	0	55	42	3
Alfalfa Hay	10	20	38	31	1
Other Hay	10	27	47	16	0

**CROP PROGRESS TABLE**

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Barley Boot	94	88	71	74
Barley Headed	89	69	53	54
Barley Turning Color	60	29	14	17
Oats Jointed	95	85	76	86
Oats Boot	88	69	52	64
Oats Headed	70	39	25	40
Oats Turning Color	4	0	5	11
Spring Wheat Boot	99	93	43	68
Spring Wheat Headed	94	65	6	31
Spring Wheat Turn Color	12	0	2	6
Winter Wheat Turn Color	98	73	55	64
Winter Wheat Mature	81	5	1	15
Winter Wheat Harvested	44	0	0	1
Corn Tasseled	8	1	1	4
Corn Average Height	28	16	25	26
Dry Beans Bloom	42	31	13	19
Dry Beans Setting Pod	3	0	5	3
Alfalfa 1st Cutting	87	70	51	65
Alfalfa 2nd Cutting	1	0	0	1
Other Hay Harvested	41	29	20	25

**LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE REPORT:** Range and pasture condition was rated 66 percent poor to very poor, 27 percent fair, and 7 percent good. Irrigation water supplies were 15 percent very short, 32 percent short and 53 percent adequate.

**RANGE AND PASTURE CONDITIONS**

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Very Poor	33	37	0	1
Poor	33	34	3	4
Fair	27	23	16	22
Good	7	6	65	58
Excellent	0	0	16	15

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**WEATHER SUMMARY:** Buford experienced temperatures 15 degrees above normal. Eighteen of the 32 reporting stations received more than a tenth-inch of rain. Sundance received the most with 2.49 inches. Twenty-five stations received less than normal precipitation for the week, Yellowstone is the only station reporting above normal precipitation for the year. Six stations are more than 4 inches behind for the year to date: Fort Laramie, Jackson Hole, Evanston, Midwest, Lance Creek, and Douglas.

**Weather Data for the Week Ending July 8, 2012 <sup>1/</sup>**

	Weekly Air Temperature				Weekly Precipitation			Since Jan 1 Precipitation	
	Hi	Lo	Avg	DFN	Total Inches	Normal Inches	DFN	Total Inches	DFN
<b>District 1</b>									
Cody	99	54	72	5	0.00	0.29	-0.29	2.77	-3.53
Dubois	88	44	63	4	0.04	0.28	-0.24	3.16	-2.14
Greybull	104	58	79	8	0.06	0.16	-0.10	2.10	-2.52
Jeffrey City	95	48	71	7	0.00	0.21	-0.21	3.00	-3.65
Lake Yellowstone	81	38	57	6	0.09	0.42	-0.33	12.96	1.67
Lander	99	54	76	7	0.00	0.21	-0.21	4.62	-3.55
Powell	98	50	72	5	0.00	0.28	-0.28	3.22	-0.99
Riverton	100	54	77	11	0.00	0.21	-0.21	2.11	-2.57
Worland	104	55	77	5	0.01	0.20	-0.19	1.69	-3.07
<b>District 2</b>									
Big Horn	102	52	74	7	0.12	0.31	-0.19	7.22	-1.73
Buffalo-Johnson	101	53	75	6	0.16	0.40	-0.24	5.98	-2.28
Gillette	102	48	75	6	0.41	0.36	0.05	7.40	-2.67
Midwest	101	52	76	7	0.12	0.35	-0.23	4.08	-4.68
Newcastle	99	55	77	6	0.06	0.49	-0.43	5.89	-3.11
Sheridan	103	49	74	6	0.10	0.37	-0.27	6.03	-2.94
Sundance	98	55	73	6	2.49	0.55	1.94	9.98	-1.21
<b>District 3</b>									
Afton	88	44	65	6	0.18	0.35	-0.17	7.64	-2.21
Big Piney	91	40	66	7	0.00	0.17	-0.17	1.08	-2.75
Evanston	90	50	69	9	0.14	0.21	-0.07	1.41	-4.61
Jackson Hole	88	43	65	6	0.15	0.35	-0.20	7.04	-4.88
<b>District 4</b>									
Casper	100	48	75	7	0.13	0.31	-0.18	5.41	-2.43
Laramie	92	51	68	7	0.57	0.35	0.22	2.58	-3.56
Rawlins	96	52	73	7	0.10	0.21	-0.11	2.18	-3.28
Rock Springs	95	51	73	9	0.00	0.21	-0.21	1.56	-3.68
Shirley Basin	98	39	66	8	0.41	0.35	0.06	4.29	-1.39
<b>District 5</b>									
Buford	96	56	73	15	1.60	0.49	1.11	5.87	-2.34
Cheyenne	94	58	73	7	1.38	0.50	0.88	5.35	-3.38
Chugwater	98	57	75	9	0.55	0.42	0.13	5.92	-3.37
Douglas	100	53	77	9	0.04	0.35	-0.31	3.24	-4.35
Lance Creek	102	56	76	7	0.26	0.42	-0.16	3.79	-4.25
Old Fort Laramie	98	53	74	4	0.22	0.45	-0.23	3.25	-4.91
Torrington	100	60	78	7	0.49	0.42	0.07	4.66	-3.61
Wheatland	98	58	75	5	1.09	0.42	0.67	4.52	-3.09

1/ Summary based on NWS data. DFN=Departure from Normal. Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches. Air Temperatures in Degrees Fahrenheit. Weather data prepared by AWIS, Inc. For more weather information visit [www.awis.com](http://www.awis.com) or call 1-888-798-9955