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**Week of August 6 – 12, 2012**

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** Harvest continues as dry conditions persist.

High temperatures ranged from 82 degrees at Lake Yellowstone to 102 degrees in Torrington. Low temperatures ranged from 32 degrees in Shirley Basin to 60 degrees in Lander. Uinta County reported no precipitation for the week, heavy smoke resulting from the Utah fires, and extreme rangeland drought. Sweetwater and Converse counties reported that dry conditions persist. Across the State, producers were busy harvesting barley, oats, spring wheat, alfalfa and other hay.

**SOIL MOISTURE SUPPLIES**

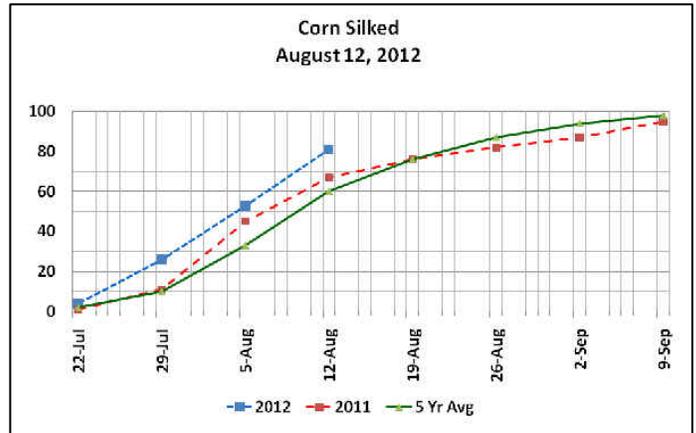
Topsoil	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Very Short	47	42	2	7
Short	43	45	37	34
Adequate	10	13	56	57
Surplus	0	0	5	2

Subsoil	This Week	As of 7/30	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Very Short	41	41	5	13
Short	44	47	30	31
Adequate	15	12	65	54
Surplus	0	0	0	2

**FIELD CROP REPORT:** Hot, dry conditions allowed for 7 days suitable for fieldwork again this week. With minimal precipitation, topsoil moisture conditions continued to decline to 90 percent short to very short and 10 percent adequate well behind the 5-year average of 41 percent short to very short, 57 percent adequate and 3 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture conditions were rated 85 percent short to very short and 15 percent adequate also behind the 5-year average of 44 percent short to very short, 54 percent adequate and 2 percent surplus.

**CROP PROGRESS TABLE**

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Barley Turning Color	96	93	80	86
Barley Mature	83	80	75	69
Barley Harvested	73	64	61	42
Oats Turning Color	93	89	67	80
Oats Mature	71	61	53	57
Oats Harvested	45	28	27	26
Spring Wheat Mature	95	94	47	52
Spring Wheat Harvested	74	41	16	14
Corn Tasseled	97	91	96	92
Corn Silked	81	53	67	60
Corn Milk	27	16	19	15
Dry Beans Bloom	94	91	90	87
Dry Beans Setting Pod	72	57	70	61
Dry Beans Turn Color	8	2	8	8
Alfalfa 2nd Cutting	72	58	47	47
Other Hay Harvested	79	73	74	76



**CROP CONDITION TABLE**

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excel
Oats	8	26	54	12	0
Spring Wheat	7	52	41	0	0
Corn	3	16	44	36	1
Sugarbeets	0	0	42	52	6
Dry Beans	0	5	52	40	3
Alfalfa Hay	14	18	29	38	1
Other Hay	30	25	28	17	0

**LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE REPORT:** Range and pasture condition continues to decline at 81 percent poor to very poor, 15 percent fair, and 4 percent good. Stock water supplies continue to cause concern for livestock producers at 69 percent short to very short, and 31 percent adequate.

**RANGE AND PASTURE CONDITIONS**

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Very Poor	50	48	0	1
Poor	31	31	5	9
Fair	15	17	23	30
Good	4	4	65	50
Excellent	0	0	7	10

**STOCK WATER SUPPLIES**

	This Week	As of 7/30	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Very Short	29	22	0	3
Short	40	42	10	15
Adequate	31	36	89	80
Surplus	0	0	1	2



**WEATHER SUMMARY:** Average temperatures ranged from 60 degrees in Yellowstone to 77 degrees in Greybull, Worland, and Lander. Temperatures ranged from 2 to 13 degrees above normal across the State. Only 12 of the 33 reporting stations received a tenth-inch of rain or more. Fourteen reporting stations are four or more inches behind normal precipitation levels.

**Weather Data for the Week Ending August 12, 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	95	54	74	6	0.09	0.20	-0.11	2.99	-4.51
Dubois	84	43	63	3	0.04	0.16	-0.12	4.02	-2.34
Greybull	100	52	77	6	0.17	0.07	0.10	2.31	-2.80
Jeffrey City	92	40	69	3	0.03	0.14	-0.11	3.20	-4.43
Lake Yellowstone	82	37	60	5	0.09	0.35	-0.26	14.34	1.28
Lander	95	60	77	7	0.01	0.11	-0.10	4.73	-4.24
Powell	94	49	71	3	0.20	0.14	0.06	3.69	-1.42
Riverton	95	50	75	7	0.04	0.11	-0.07	2.19	-3.26
Worland	100	56	77	4	0.02	0.07	-0.05	2.12	-3.27
<b>District 2</b>									
Big Horn	96	50	74	5	0.27	0.14	0.13	9.77	-0.16
Buffalo-Johnson	97	56	76	7	0.07	0.19	-0.12	7.52	-2.07
Gillette	98	51	75	5	0.18	0.25	-0.07	7.88	-3.50
Midwest	98	48	74	4	0.01	0.18	-0.17	5.25	-4.77
Newcastle	96	52	75	4	0.02	0.42	-0.40	7.76	-3.52
Sheridan	97	49	75	5	0.07	0.14	-0.07	7.03	-2.99
Sundance	93	55	74	5	0.81	0.39	0.42	12.63	-0.71
<b>District 3</b>									
Afton	92	43	67	6	0.02	0.28	-0.26	9.27	-2.09
Big Piney	91	39	68	9	0.02	0.18	-0.16	2.19	-2.66
Evanston	92	50	71	10	0.11	0.21	-0.10	2.43	-4.62
Jackson Hole	90	45	67	7	0.00	0.29	-0.29	7.71	-5.70
<b>District 4</b>									
Casper	97	46	74	4	0.20	0.17	0.03	6.49	-2.60
Laramie	89	42	68	6	0.17	0.28	-0.11	3.67	-4.12
Rawlins	92	43	71	3	0.09	0.21	-0.12	3.15	-3.35
Rock Springs	92	53	75	9	0.01	0.14	-0.13	2.86	-3.30
Shirley Basin	95	32	65	6	0.16	0.21	-0.05	5.67	-1.49
<b>District 5</b>									
Buford	92	48	72	13	0.10	0.41	-0.31	7.33	-3.19
Cheyenne	92	50	73	7	0.00	0.42	-0.42	6.55	-4.61
Chugwater	97	50	75	8	0.00	0.35	-0.35	6.36	-4.95
Douglas	98	45	76	6	0.28	0.21	0.07	3.77	-5.35
Lance Creek	98	52	76	5	0.07	0.28	-0.21	4.50	-5.24
Old Fort Laramie	100	45	72	2	0.00	0.28	-0.28	4.69	-5.15
Torrington	102	49	76	5	0.00	0.28	-0.28	5.34	-4.68
Wheatland	96	48	74	3	0.19	0.28	-0.09	5.05	-4.33

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