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Week of August 13 – 19, 2012

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Temperatures are starting to cool off as the high temperature across the state was in the mid-nineties; however, very minimal precipitation was received last week.

High temperatures ranged from 80 degrees in Shirley Basin to 94 degrees in Greybull, Midwest and Sheridan. Low temperatures ranged from 32 degrees in Shirley Basin to 53 degrees in Lander. Laramie was the only reporting station reporting more than a tenth-of-an-inch of rain last week. Converse County reported extremely dry conditions persist. Uinta County reported that the drought continues, valley floors are dry and irrigation water supplies are drying out. Drought is impacting livestock grazing, but they are doing as well as feed supplies allow. Dry conditions allowed for 7 days suitable for field work, while farmers 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	51	47	3	7
Short	41	43	38	35
Adequate	8	10	54	56
Surplus	0	0	5	2

IRRIGATION WATER SUPPLIES

	This Week	As of 8/6	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Very Short	21	18	6	7
Short	25	34	5	15
Adequate	54	48	79	75
Surplus	0	0	10	3

FIELD CROP REPORT: Oats, corn and alfalfa conditions showed a decline from the previous week, while dry beans and sugar beets conditions remain unchanged from the previous week. Topsoil moisture declined to 92 percent short to very short and 8 percent adequate.

CROP PROGRESS TABLE

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Barley Mature	89	83	80	79
Barley Harvested	82	73	73	58
Oats Turning Color	97	93	80	89
Oats Mature	81	71	60	69
Oats Harvested	61	45	38	42
Spring Wheat Harvested	88	74	32	33
Corn Silk	95	81	76	76
Corn Milk	50	27	36	32
Corn Dough	15	0	15	8
Dry Beans Bloom	98	94	92	92
Dry Beans Setting Pod	87	72	79	71
Dry Beans Turn Color	30	8	18	18
Alfalfa 2nd Cutting	84	72	61	61
Alfalfa 3rd Cutting	4	0	6	3
Other Hay Harvested	84	79	82	82

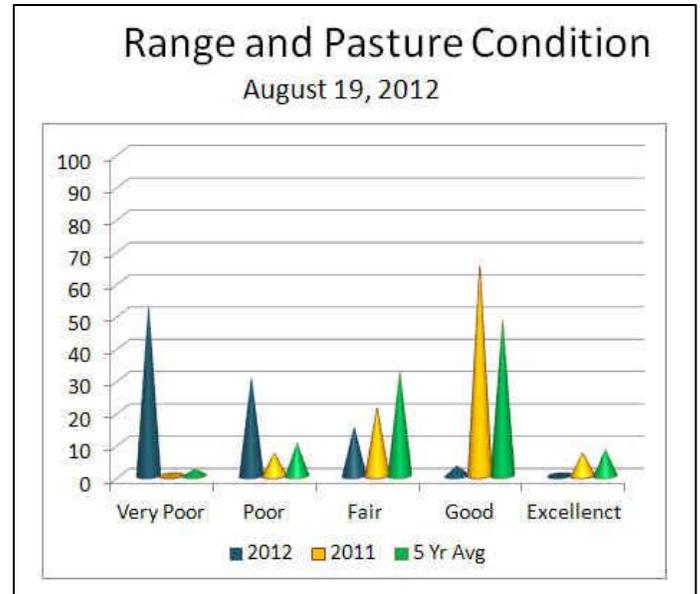
CROP CONDITION TABLE

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excel
Oats	10	29	50	11	0
Corn	4	16	43	36	1
Sugarbeets	0	0	42	52	6
Dry Beans	0	5	52	40	3
Alfalfa Hay	14	19	26	40	1

LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE REPORT: Livestock conditions were rated 68 percent good to excellent, 26 percent fair, and 6 percent poor. Without precipitation, range and pasture conditions continue to decline.

RANGE AND PASTURE CONDITIONS

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Very Poor	52	50	0	2
Poor	30	31	7	10
Fair	15	15	21	32
Good	3	4	65	48
Excellent	0	0	7	8



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WEATHER SUMMARY: Average temperatures ranged from 56 degrees in Shirley Basin to 71 degrees in Rock Springs and Lander. Temperatures were below normal in 21 of the 33 stations.

Weather Data for the Week Ending August 19, 2012 ^{1/}

	Weekly Air Temperature				Weekly Precipitation			Since Jan 1 Precipitation	
	Hi	Lo	Avg	DFN	Total Inches	Normal Inches	DFN	Total Inches	DFN
District 1									
Cody	90	48	65	-3	0.00	0.19	-0.19	2.99	-4.70
Dubois	82	37	60	1	0.00	0.18	-0.18	4.02	-2.52
Greybull	94	47	70	0	0.00	0.11	-0.11	2.31	-2.91
Jeffrey City	87	43	64	-1	0.00	0.14	-0.14	3.20	-4.57
Lake Yellowstone	84	35	58	5	0.00	0.38	-0.38	14.34	0.90
Lander	92	53	71	2	0.00	0.12	-0.12	4.73	-4.36
Powell	90	44	65	-3	0.00	0.07	-0.07	3.51	-1.67
Riverton	92	47	69	3	0.00	0.12	-0.12	2.19	-3.38
Worland	93	46	70	-3	0.00	0.14	-0.14	2.12	-3.41
District 2									
Big Horn	92	42	65	-5	0.05	0.18	-0.13	9.82	-0.29
Buffalo-Johnson	91	49	66	-4	0.00	0.18	-0.18	7.52	-2.25
Gillette	92	46	66	-5	0.04	0.28	-0.24	7.92	-3.74
Midwest	94	40	67	-4	0.00	0.14	-0.14	5.25	-4.91
Newcastle	93	43	66	-6	0.01	0.42	-0.41	7.75	-3.95
Sheridan	94	40	66	-4	0.00	0.20	-0.20	7.03	-3.19
Sundance	89	44	64	-5	0.00	0.35	-0.35	12.63	-1.06
District 3									
Afton	87	43	65	5	0.00	0.28	-0.28	9.27	-2.37
Big Piney	88	40	65	8	0.00	0.14	-0.14	2.19	-2.80
Evanston	86	52	70	10	0.00	0.21	-0.21	2.43	-4.83
Jackson Hole	84	43	64	5	0.00	0.35	-0.35	7.71	-6.05
District 4									
Casper	92	41	66	-3	0.00	0.14	-0.14	6.49	-2.74
Laramie	86	41	62	1	0.11	0.28	-0.17	3.78	-4.29
Rawlins	85	42	66	-1	0.00	0.16	-0.16	3.15	-3.51
Rock Springs	90	46	71	6	0.00	0.10	-0.10	2.86	-3.40
Shirley Basin	80	32	56	-3	0.00	0.21	-0.21	5.67	-1.70
District 5									
Buford	88	43	65	7	0.01	0.35	-0.34	7.34	-3.53
Cheyenne	87	42	66	-1	0.04	0.42	-0.38	6.59	-4.99
Chugwater	91	42	66	-1	0.00	0.35	-0.35	6.36	-5.30
Douglas	93	46	67	-3	0.00	0.18	-0.18	3.77	-5.53
Lance Creek	93	40	65	-7	0.07	0.28	-0.21	4.57	-5.45
Old Fort Laramie	90	38	64	-6	0.00	0.26	-0.26	4.62	-5.48
Torrington	92	44	67	-4	0.00	0.25	-0.25	5.34	-4.93
Wheatland	90	44	67	-4	0.00	0.28	-0.28	5.05	-4.61

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 or call 1-888-798-9955