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AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Mild temperatures with some precipitation.

High temperatures ranged from 61 degrees at Lake Yellowstone to 87 degrees in Torrington and Lance Creek. Low temperatures ranged from 27 degrees at Lake Yellowstone to 42 degrees at Lance Creek. Sundance and Big Horn received more than an inch of precipitation at 1.86 inches and 1.32 inches, respectively. Only two stations, Wheatland and Big Piney, reported receiving no precipitation. Of the 33 reporting stations, 14 received above normal precipitation for the week. The NRCS reported Snow Water Equivalent at 56 percent, compared to 43 percent last year.

Lincoln County reported dry conditions are returning and they are in need of some rain. Range vegetation has a good start but moisture is needed to continue. Cool morning temperatures are slowing hay crop progress. Uinta County reported high mountain snow melt. Reservoirs are behind schedule for this time of year. Calving and lambing is progressing well. Irrigation water supplies are of concern. Hay crops are doing fairly well where irrigation is received. Livestock are being moved to summer pastures. Precipitation will be needed for hay crops to progress and to allow for summer grazing. Albany County reported dry and windy conditions. Pastures are turning green, but without moisture in the very near future, they will burn up. Irrigated hay fields are doing well. Converse County reported moisture during May improved spring grazing prospects. Producers using rivers as irrigation sources are in good shape. There are pastures in the county that remain dormant and in poor condition.

SOIL MOISTURE SUPPLIES

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Topsoil				
Very Short	6	8	14	3
Short	23	18	41	17
Adequate	70	73	44	70
Surplus	1	1	1	10
Subsoil	As of 5/13			
Very Short	15	18	19	9
Short	31	35	41	23
Adequate	54	47	40	64
Surplus	0	0	0	4

FIELD CROP REPORT: Conditions allowed for 6.0 days of field work. Topsoil moisture declined slightly to 29 percent short to very short, 70 percent adequate and 1 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture was reported 46 percent short to very short and 54 percent adequate. Winter wheat condition was reported 22 percent poor to very poor, 39 percent fair, and 39 percent good; 63 percent was reported jointed; 4 percent was reported as booted which is well behind previous years. Barley condition was reported at 2 percent poor, 10 percent fair, and 88 percent good to excellent. Ninety-six percent was reported planted, 72 percent emerged and 4 percent jointed. Alfalfa condition was reported 7 percent poor, 38 percent fair, and 55 percent good to excellent. Other hay condition was reported 3 percent poor, 47 percent fair, and 50 percent good to excellent.

CROP CONDITION TABLE

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excel
Barley	0	2	10	64	24
Winter Wheat	2	20	39	39	0
Alfalfa Hay	0	7	38	44	11
Other Hay	0	3	47	45	5

CROP PROGRESS TABLE

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Barley Planted	96	92	100	92
Barley Emerged	72	63	94	70
Barley Jointed	4	0	46	15
Oats Planted	83	69	97	82
Oats Emerged	52	41	81	55
Oats Jointed	5	1	19	9
Spring Wheat Planted	65	42	100	77
Spring Wheat Emerged	47	17	83	48
Spring Wheat Jointed	1	0	9	7
Winter Wheat Jointed	63	43	89	77
Winter Wheat Boot	4	0	66	21
Sugarbeets Planted	74	62	100	94
Sugarbeets Emerged	22	12	62	43
Corn Planted	82	70	97	82
Corn Emerged	25	8	72	33
Dry Beans Planted	21	17	43	26
Dry Beans Emerged	3	0	5	2

LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE REPORT: Calf losses were reported at 52 percent light, 45 percent normal, and 3 percent heavy. Lamb losses were reported at 40 percent light, 59 percent normal, and 1 percent heavy. Forty-four percent of cattle have been moved to summer pastures. Thirty-four percent of sheep have been moved to summer pastures. Farm activities included lambing, shearing sheep and planting.

LIVESTOCK PROGRESS TABLE

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Farm Flock Ewes Lambed	94	92	99	97
Farm Flock Sheep Shorn	96	94	98	97
Range Flock Ewes Lambed	66	57	62	63
Range Flock Sheep Shorn	83	74	94	90

STOCK WATER SUPPLIES

	This Week	As of 5/13	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Very Short	5	14	2	2
Short	32	17	28	8
Adequate	63	67	70	84
Surplus	0	2	0	6

RANGE AND PASTURE CONDITIONS

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Very Poor	6	8	7	1
Poor	30	38	28	11
Fair	36	37	41	26
Good	27	17	23	56
Excellent	1	0	1	6

NASS Survey Update!

In the first two weeks of June, NASS will interview producers and survey tracts of farm land across the U.S. to gather information that will set the foundation for estimates during the upcoming forecast season. We will also ask hog producers about their inventories and farrowing intentions for the next six months. The information will help producers, suppliers, traders, buyers, and others make informed business decisions. The results will be available beginning June 28 in the *Acres* and other reports. **Farmers should watch for their surveys and be sure to respond. Your information matters!**

WEATHER SUMMARY: Average temperatures range from 41 degrees at Lake Yellowstone to 61 degrees at Greybull. Temperatures were below normal at 11 reporting stations. Ten reporting stations are currently more than 2 inches behind normal precipitation for the year.

Weather Data for the Week Ending May 26, 2013 ^{1/}

	Monthly Air Temperature				Monthly Precipitation			Since Jan 1 Precipitation	
	Hi	Lo	Avg	DFN	Total Inches	Normal Inches	DFN	Total Inches	DFN
District 1									
Cody	73	39	53	-3	0.44	0.48	-0.04	4.16	0.13
Dubois	75	29	51	4	0.37	0.35	0.02	3.13	-0.38
Greybull	86	39	61	3	0.02	0.35	-0.33	1.83	-1.19
Jeffrey City	80	37	53	2	0.93	0.49	0.44	5.58	0.59
Lake Yellowstone	61	27	41	2	0.45	0.49	-0.04	8.41	0.09
Lander	78	41	55	-1	0.87	0.52	0.35	7.87	1.45
Powell	74	38	53	-4	0.58	0.35	0.23	2.34	0.06
Riverton	80	39	57	3	0.48	0.42	0.06	3.29	0.04
Worland	85	38	59	-2	0.17	0.38	-0.21	2.36	-0.78
District 2									
Big Horn	77	37	54	-2	1.32	0.56	0.76	6.00	-0.12
Buffalo-Johnson	82	41	55	0	0.64	0.56	0.08	3.49	-1.72
Gillette	83	40	55	-1	0.74	0.69	0.05	4.29	-2.47
Mid-West	84	39	55	-2	0.55	0.58	-0.03	3.61	-2.35
Newcastle	81	40	55	-4	0.47	0.62	-0.15	4.36	-1.14
Sheridan	77	40	55	0	0.78	0.63	0.15	5.64	0.11
Sundance	83	40	54	0	1.86	0.63	1.23	6.49	-0.41
District 3									
Afton	70	30	49	0	0.30	0.49	-0.19	6.63	-1.01
Big Piney	74	29	51	4	0.00	0.24	-0.24	1.23	-1.52
Evanston	73	31	52	3	0.15	0.33	-0.18	2.01	-2.58
Jackson Hole	70	28	48	0	0.15	0.49	-0.34	3.43	-6.02
District 4									
Casper	82	35	55	2	0.65	0.55	0.10	5.59	-0.08
Laramie	76	32	50	1	0.20	0.39	-0.19	1.84	-2.27
Rawlins	80	30	52	-2	0.16	0.34	-0.18	1.35	-2.73
Rock Springs	77	38	54	3	0.34	0.28	0.06	0.79	-3.32
Shirley Basin	83	34	52	7	0.68	0.40	0.28	3.32	-0.21
District 5									
Buford	81	36	55	9	0.17	0.42	-0.25	5.39	-0.28
Cheyenne	80	35	55	2	0.09	0.58	-0.49	4.30	-1.27
Chugwater	83	33	55	1	0.31	0.70	-0.39	5.76	-0.52
Douglas	86	36	56	0	0.94	0.56	0.38	2.91	-2.46
Lance Creek	87	42	56	-1	0.30	0.56	-0.26	3.81	-1.20
Old Fort Laramie	85	34	57	-2	0.36	0.55	-0.19	3.76	-1.11
Torrington	87	36	59	0	0.39	0.58	-0.19	2.40	-2.83
Wheatland	84	36	59	2	0.00	0.56	-0.56	2.33	-2.35

^{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