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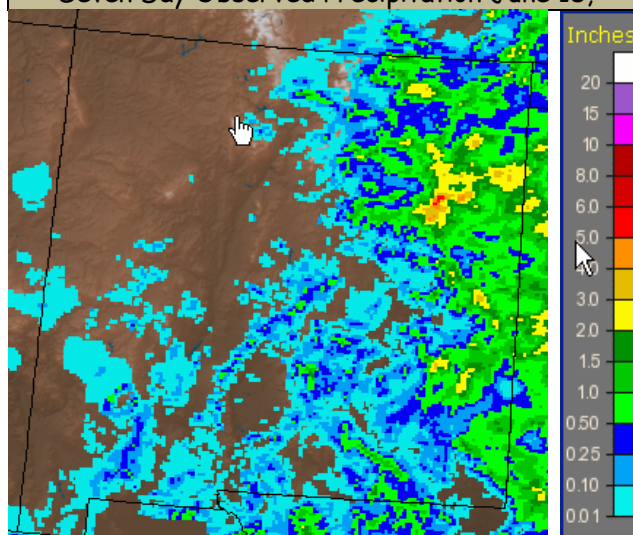
### Crop Weather

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#### CROP SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING June 17, 2012

**NEW MEXICO:** Alfalfa conditions were mostly good; second cutting 70% complete. Cotton conditions were mostly fair; 25% squared. Corn conditions were mostly fair; 80% emerged. Sorghum conditions were mostly fair; 65% planted. Winter wheat was mostly very poor; with 40% harvested for grain. Peanut conditions were mostly poor; 95% planted. Chile conditions were mostly fair. Onion conditions were mostly fair; 48% harvested. Apple conditions were mostly poor. Pecan conditions were mostly good; 100% average drop. Cattle conditions were mostly fair. Sheep conditions were mostly fair. Range and pasture conditions were mostly very poor. Days suitable for field-work were 6.6. Topsoil moisture was 63% very short, 32% short and 5% adequate. Wind damage was 14% light, 15% moderate and 9% severe; with cotton 55% damaged and sorghum 10% damaged.

Seven Day Observed Precipitation June 18,



**Additional Comments:** Rio Arriba/Santa Fe: Pasture conditions continue to dry out, with very little to no rainfall. Producers are struggling to feed livestock and haul water due to extreme drought conditions. De Baca: Some scattered showers and hail received. Quay: received good amounts of rainfall in about 70% of the county. Roosevelt: Some of the county did receive beneficial rains. A large part did not. Luna/Grant: Pasture conditions continue to deteriorate in parts of the county. There is a very small area where some moisture has started to green up the pasture, but very little. With the fire in Grant County, this dries out some of the area even more. In Luna County, there seems to be little or no improvement. Ranchers are faced daily with the possibility of selling off part or all herds. Lea: Baseball sized hail last Tuesday caused hail damage to cotton and corn crops. Will likely see replanting this year.

CROP PROGRESS  
PERCENTAGES WITH COMPARISONS

Crop	Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Average
Alfalfa	2nd Cut	70	60	76	62
Corn	Emerged	80	65	93	90
Cotton	Squaring	25	10	10	12
Onion	Harvested	48	45	27	51
Peanut	Planted	95	75	100	97
Sorghum	Planted	65	48	68	73
W Wheat	Grain	40	24	48	63

CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION PERCENTAGES

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa	3	8	32	42	15
Chile	3	9	61	12	15
Corn	1	2	55	20	22
Cotton	6	19	36	25	14
Onion	-	-	57	33	10
Peanut	8	38	22	32	-
Sorghum	20	26	53	1	-
Winter Wheat	61	8	25	1	5
Cattle	14	29	45	6	6
Sheep	12	37	41	10	-

SOIL MOISTURE PERCENTAGES

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Northwest	83	17	-	-
Northeast	65	32	3	-
Southwest	41	56	3	-
Southeast	59	25	16	-
State Current	63	32	5	-
State-Last Week	70	22	8	-
State-Last Year	73	26	1	-
State-5-Yr Avg.	37	35	28	-

## RANGE AND PASTURE CONDITION



## Weather Summary

The temperatures during the past week were a little below normal in some areas but mostly above for this time of the year. Strong to severe thunderstorms developed across northeast and the eastern plains during the middle part of the work week, which continued into the weekend where hail was observed. Some rainfall fell in the following areas: 1.12 inches in Roy, 0.63 inches in Clovis and 0.19 inches in Las Vegas.

NEW MEXICO WEATHER CONDITIONS – June 11 – June 17, 2012

(T) Trace    (-) No Report    (\*) Correction - All reports based on preliminary data. Precipitation data corrected monthly from official.