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## New Mexico Crop Progress

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### CROP SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING October 27, 2013

**NEW MEXICO:** Days suitable for fieldwork were 6.8. Topsoil moisture was 22% very short, 36% short, 41% adequate and 1% surplus. Wind damage was 19% light and 6% moderate. Freeze damage was reported at 32% light.

**Counties:** **Rio Arriba/Taos:** Crops are dormant and harvest on hay crops has been completed this year. **Curry:** Irrigated wheat fields are in good to excellent condition. A few cattle being put on pasture. Dryland wheat still in good condition, but most needs additional moisture to produce grazing. Corn harvest virtually complete, and a few fields now being planted to wheat, though most is in the ground and emerged. Cotton harvest could begin soon, as a few fields beginning to show maturity. Milo harvest should also begin soon as all fields are showing maturity, though frost has stopped growth. Livestock producers are in the process of shipping calves and culling older cows. Range conditions are good. **Otero:** Most cattle producers are shipping calves this fall. Range conditions are mostly fair. Most warm season grasses have seeded out and are nearing dormancy. Pecan producers are preparing for harvest. Pecan crop will be an "on year" with good production.

#### CROP PROGRESS PERCENTAGES WITH COMPARISONS

Crop	Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Average
Alfalfa	5th cut	98	95	100	99
Alfalfa	6th cut	84	66	86	77
Alfalfa	7th cut	37	12	53	42
Chile	Hvst Grn	100	97	100	100
Chile	Hvst Red	32	19	33	42
Corn	Dent	97	95	97	97
Corn	Mature	95	78	93	94
Corn	Grain Hvst	55	35	22	47
Corn	Silage Hvst	99	95	99	88
Peanut	Hvst	65	50	53	55
Cotton	Bolls Opn	98	93	99	95
Cotton	Hvst	9	4	14	19
Wheat	Emerged	100	87	82	92
Sorghum	Trn Color	100	91	92	97
Sorghum	Mature	66	45	49	58
Sorghum	Hvst	4	1	10	17

#### RANGE AND PASTURE CONDITION

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Northwest	37	32	25	6	-
Northeast	10	25	48	14	3
Southwest	-	-	100	-	-
Southeast	12	27	53	8	-
State Current	20	27	44	8	1
State-Last Week	20	31	36	13	-
State-Last Year	53	31	15	1	-
State-5-Yr Avg.	27	24	27	19	3

#### CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION PERCENTAGES

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa	1	10	42	45	2
Chile	-	12	40	46	2
Corn	1	8	27	64	-
Cotton	3	21	30	30	16
Peanut	5	30	60	5	-
Pecan	-	1	31	44	24
Sorghum	-	-	35	58	7
Cattle	3	9	42	40	6
Sheep	27	21	21	31	-

#### SOIL MOISTURE PERCENTAGES

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Northwest	44	26	29	1
Northeast	6	61	33	-
Southwest	-	70	30	-
Southeast	14	27	59	-
State Current	22	36	41	1
State-Last Week	20	30	49	1
State-Last Year	57	35	8	-
State-5-Yr Avg.	29	38	33	-

## Weather Summary

A weak upper level disturbance brought light to moderate rain showers across central New Mexico during the week. The largest precipitation totals were found in Gran Quivira with 1.28 inches, Santa Fe with 0.56 inches and Gallup with 0.35 inches. Temperatures varied little during the week, with only minor cold fronts providing changes to portions of northeast New Mexico. Temperatures ranged from 7 degrees below normal at Roy to 2 degrees above normal at Socorro.

NEW MEXICO WEATHER CONDITIONS - Oct 21 - Oct 27, 2013								
Station	Temperature			Precipitation				
	Mean	Maximum	Mini- mum	<u>Week</u> 21 Oct - 27 Oct	<u>Month</u> 01 Oct - 27 Oct	<u>Accum.</u> 01 Jan - 27 Oct	<u>Normal</u> Oct	<u>Normal</u> Jan-Oct
Northwest								
Albuquerque	55.6	73	39	0.12	0.16	8.02	1.02	8.38
Chama	43.8	66	22	0.07	1.17	18.31	2.03	19.83
Farmington	51.4	72	31	0.05	0.49	7.41	0.91	7.41
Gallup	46.7	71	20	0.35	0.78	9.27	0.99	9.97
Grants	46.1	71	20	0.30	0.43	6.47	0.97	9.04
Johnson Ranch	46.0	70	22	0.18	0.18	10.24	0.95	10.89
Los Alamos	48.0	64	34	0.41	1.14	15.77	1.56	16.95
Red River	38.9	60	21	0.07	1.67	16.75	1.84	19.80
Santa Fe	47.4	68	23	0.56	0.79	9.78	1.33	12.50
Northeast								
Capulin	46.5	68	27	0.00	0.14	17.03	0.95	16.96
Clayton	51.4	74	34	-	0.27	12.93	0.90	14.28
Clovis	53.9	76	37	0.20	-	8.65	1.98	17.58
Las Vegas	47.0	69	28	0.04	0.24	14.50	1.34	16.75
Moriarty	45.6	71	22	0.13	0.32	10.90	1.52	12.29
Raton	48.1	71	28	0.10	0.84	15.77	1.16	16.14
Roy	49.2	71	30	0.00	0.11	7.61	1.05	14.79
Tucumcari	55.2	80	34	0.00	0.04	15.26	1.50	15.74
Southwest								
Animas	61.8	81	41	0.00	0.00	6.42	1.12	9.87
Deming	58.7	80	34	0.05	0.05	8.88	1.06	9.95
Gran Quivira	51.0	72	32	1.28	1.28	13.27	1.74	15.36
Quemado	46.6	70	18	0.15	0.15	3.87	0.96	10.90
Socorro	56.5	79	32	0.20	0.21	8.37	1.09	9.17
T or C	57.9	77	40	0.13	0.13	11.21	1.10	10.21
Southeast								
Alamogordo	56.7	79	33	0.03	0.03	7.20	1.17	10.08
Carlsbad	58.1	81	35	-	0.28	9.87	1.16	11.97
Carrizozo	51.6	74	27	0.27	0.28	11.98	1.19	11.31
Las Cruces	60.0	80	40	0.00	-	5.60	0.94	8.51
Roswell	53.9	78	31	0.26	0.26	9.55	1.34	13.74
Ruidoso	46.7	69	23	0.10	0.10	10.28	1.64	19.58
Tatum	53.7	78	29	0.01	0.06	9.65	1.49	15.02
(T) Trace (-) No Report (*) Correction - All reports based on preliminary data. Precipitation data corrected monthly from official.								