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# WEEKLY CROP & WEATHER



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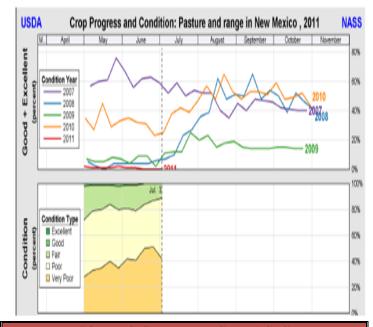
## CROP SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING JULY 10, 2011

**NEW MEXICO:** Alfalfa conditions were mostly fair to good; second cutting 93% complete; third cutting 66% complete. Corn was mostly fair; 24% silked. Cotton was mostly good to poor; 70% squaring; 25% setting bolls. Sorghum was mostly fair to very poor; 100% planted. Winter wheat 99% harvested for grain. Peanuts were mostly fair; 35% pegging. Chile was mostly fair. Onions 63% harvested. Pecan conditions were mostly good; there has been a heavy drop. Apples were mostly fair. Cattle conditions were mostly poor to fair. Sheep conditions were mostly fair to very poor. Range and pasture conditions were mostly very poor. Days suitable for fieldwork were 6.9. Topsoil moisture was 73% very short, 20% short and 7% adequate. Wind damage was 12% light, 5% moderate and 1% severe.

CROP PROGRESS PERCENTAGES WITH COMPARISONS							
Crop Stage		This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Average		
Alfalfa	2 <sup>nd</sup> Cutting	93	90	89	93		
Alfalfa	3 <sup>rd</sup> Cutting	66	48	45	47		
Corn	Silking	24	10	22	29		
Cotton	Squaring	70	50	40	67		
Cotton	Set Bolls	25	15	4	18		
Onion	Harvested	63	53	79	84		
Peanut	Pegging	35	15	43	46		
Wheat	Harvest	99	95	90	97		

CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION PERCENTAGES								
	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent			
Alfalfa	6	9	38	36	11			
Chile	-	2	51	30	17			
Corn	1	6	54	27	12			
Cotton	8	30	20	35	7			
Peanut	-	8	86	6	-			
Pecan	-	1	17	81	1			
Sorghum	34	16	44	6	-			
Cattle	17	36	33	14	-			
Sheep	24	35	30	11	-			

Additional Comments: Santa Fe: Light isolated showers were received during the course of the week. However, much more moisture is needed. Curry: Cattle are being shipped to town and crops are being abandoned because of lack of moisture. De Baca: Irrigation district has moved to timed watering' and without rain, crops continue to suffer. Water supplies continue to diminish which have put all farming and ranching operations at risk in De Baca County. Guadalupe: Pasture conditions continue to decline due to no rain or any type of moisture and very hot temperatures. Very dry pasture conditions. Livestock conditions are beginning to decline even with all the heavy supplemental feeding and hauling water that is taking place. Many livestock producers are getting very worried about the current conditions and hoping and praying for rain. Farmers in the Anton Chico and Dilia Areas have run out of irrigation water and river water. Livestock will also be running out of river water. Ouav: No precipitation this week. Temperatures in the triple digits, high heat and no cloud cover, some wind have compounded damage to crops,



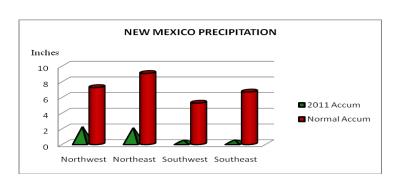
SOIL MOISTURE PERCENTAGES							
	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus			
Northwest	58	40	2	-			
Northeast	86	12	2	-			
Southwest	66	1	33	-			
Southeast	67	31	2	-			
State Current	73	20	7	-			
State-LastWeek	78	21	1	-			
State-Last Year	12	33	54	1			
State-5-Yr Avg.	20	40	37	3			

and range conditions. **Torrance**: Pinto Beans 100% Fair. Pumpkins 100% Fair. **Union**: Corn farmers are being forced to abandon circles due to the drought. Water requirements of the crop cannot be met with well water alone. **Luna / Grant**: Supplemental Feeding and watering continue to be a major concern for the area ranchers. Maintaining the current level of livestock becomes increasingly difficult. There is a desperate need for moisture. **Eddy**: Still no precipitation for Eddy County. June has seen over 20 days of 100 degree + temperatures. The condition of cattle is beginning to drop off. Carlsbad Irrigation District farmers are out of water. They have used their full allotment for the year with no hope at the moment of receiving any more. Two hundred sixty-four days since the last meaningful precipitation. DRY!!Some wells are being deepened. CID farmers without supplemental water are out; many alfalfa fields not being watered because there is no allocation. All livestock being supplemental feed.

RANGE AND PASTURE CONDITION								
	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent			
Northwest	55	44	1	-	-			
Northeast	72	25	3	-	-			
Southwest	26	43	31	-	-			
Southeast	39	49	12	-	-			
State Current	53	38	9	-	-			
State-Last Week	42	47	11	-	-			
State-Last Year	7	19	38	34	2			
State-5-Yr Avg.	16	28	33	21	2			

#### **WEATHER SUMMARY**

The state saw much welcomed rain this week across western and central portions of the state. Average temperatures in the northwest were in the low seventies, which ranged from 1-6 degrees above normal. In the southwest average temperatures were in the mid-eighties, which was around 5 degrees above normal. In the northeast average temperatures were in the mid-seventies to low eighties, which ranged from 5-9 degrees above normal.



The southeast averaged around 80 degrees, which was around 3 degrees above normal. Central New Mexico average temperature ranged from the low seventies to low eighties, ranging from 4-7 degrees above normal. Some precipitation amounts happened across the state; Gallup 0.38 inches, Capulin 0.47 inches, Clayton 0.33 inches, Quemado 0.22 inches, T or C 0.25 inches and Santa Fe 0.45 inches

Gr. at	NEW MEXICO WEATHER CONDITIONS - JULY 3 - JULY 10								
Station	Temperature  Mean Maximum Minimum			Precipitation No. 1					
	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	<u>Week</u> 03 Jul - 10 Jul	Month 01 Jul-10Jul	Accum. 01 Jan-10Jul	<u>Normal</u> Jul	<u>Normal</u> Jan-Jul	
Northwest				00000	0 2 0 0 0 2 0 0 0 0 2	0 2 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0			
Albuquerque	82.6	97	68	-	-	0.19	1.37	4.42	
Chama	66.9	88	44	0.42	0.43	6.09	2.24	11.08	
Farmington	78.7	98	61	0.20	0.20	2.85	0.94	4.31	
Gallup	72.6	93	50	0.38	0.38	1.93	1.91	6.10	
Grants	72.1	92	51	0.00	0.00	0.33	1.76	4.79	
Johnson Ranch	72.9	96	49	0.00	0.00	0.83	1.66	5.43	
Los Alamos	74.1	90	56	0.00	0.00	0.61	3.25	9.66	
Red River	61.9	82	41	0.60	0.95	5.18	3.01	11.93	
Santa Fe	76.9	96	54	0.45	0.54	1.11	2.38	7.64	
Northeast									
Capulin	74.7	95	54	0.47	1.16	4.25	3.25	10.52	
Clayton	81.5	102	62	0.33	0.33	2.40	2.70	9.00	
Clovis	83.5	101	64	0.00	0.00	1.56	2.56	9.57	
Las Vegas	73.6	93	53	-	0.02	1.35	3.20	9.60	
Moriarty	73.2	94	51	0.01	0.16	1.38	2.38	6.37	
Raton	77.6	96	54	0.00	1.06	2.34	2.66	9.82	
Roy	76.5	94	56	0.00	0.00	1.41	2.97	9.03	
Tucumcari	85.0	105	59	-	-	1.17	3.30	8.57	
Southwest									
Animas	83.5	100	65	0.00	0.00	0.07	2.26	4.74	
Deming	85.1	103	68	-	-	0.01	2.15	4.43	
Gran Quivira	76.4	96	55	0.50	0.51	0.54	2.81	7.52	
Quemado	70.3	90	49	0.22	0.22	0.94	2.37	6.56	
Socorro	81.0	99	61	0.00	0.00	0.16	1.44	3.94	
T or C	84.1	100	66	0.25	0.50	0.56	1.86	4.44	
Southeast									
Alamogordo	83.4	101	66	-	-	0.90	2.23	5.51	
Carlsbad	85.1	104	67	0.00	0.00	0.01	1.79	5.74	
Carrizozo	77.1	98	57	0.00	0.02	0.18	2.05	5.55	
Las Cruces	85.4	102	70	0.00	0.00	0.76	1.36	3.63	
Roswell	80.9	100	62	0.00	0.00	0.18	1.99	6.74	
Ruidoso	72.1	92	51	0.00	0.00	0.58	4.02	10.99	
Tatum	81.2	101	62	0.00	-	0.26	2.52	8.69	
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