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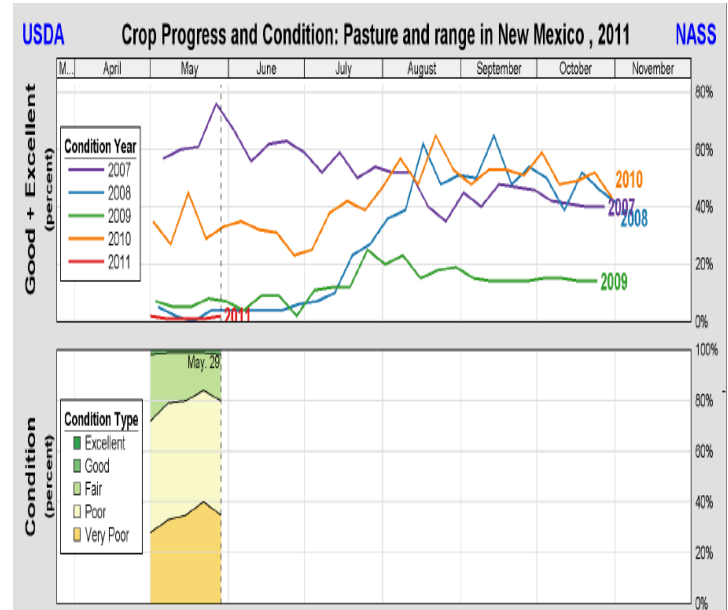
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CROP SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING JUNE 5, 2011

**NEW MEXICO:** Alfalfa conditions were mostly good; second cutting 44%. Corn was mostly fair; 93% planted, 54% emerged. Cotton was 95% planted, 1% squaring. Sorghum was 33% planted. Winter wheat was mostly very poor, 17% harvested for grain. Peanuts were mostly fair, 75% planted. Chile was mostly fair. Onion conditions were mostly good, 11% harvested. Pecan conditions were mostly fair; 3% light nut set, 97% average nut set. Apples were mostly fair to good; 60% light fruit set, 40% average fruit set. Cattle conditions were mostly fair to poor. Sheep conditions were mostly fair to very poor. Range and pasture conditions were mostly very poor to poor. Days suitable for fieldwork were 6.7. Topsoil moisture was 68% very short, 27% short and 5% adequate. Wind damage was 18% light, 9% moderate and 2% severe.



CROP PROGRESS PERCENTAGES WITH COMPARISONS					
Crop	Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Average
Alfalfa	2 <sup>nd</sup> Cutting	44	35	39	47
Corn	Planted	93	75	92	97
Corn	Emerged	54	47	67	77
Cotton	Planted	95	88	94	97
Onion	Harvested	11	-	24	31
Peanut	Planted	75	40	78	78
Sorghum	Planted	33	26	45	51
Wheat	Harvest	17	-	5	4

CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION PERCENTAGES					
	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa	-	2	30	58	10
Chile	-	2	67	17	14
Corn	-	5	78	14	3
Onion	-	-	-	77	23
Peanut	-	6	86	8	-
Pecan	-	1	56	28	15
Winter Wheat	55	15	26	4	-
Cattle	8	32	42	18	-
Sheep	30	33	31	6	-

SOIL MOISTURE PERCENTAGES				
	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Northwest	48	45	7	-
Northeast	64	34	2	-
Southwest	100	-	-	-
Southeast	74	18	8	-
State Current	68	27	5	-
State-Last Week	66	29	5	-
State-Last Year	27	36	35	2
State-5-Yr Avg.	34	35	30	1

Additional Comments:

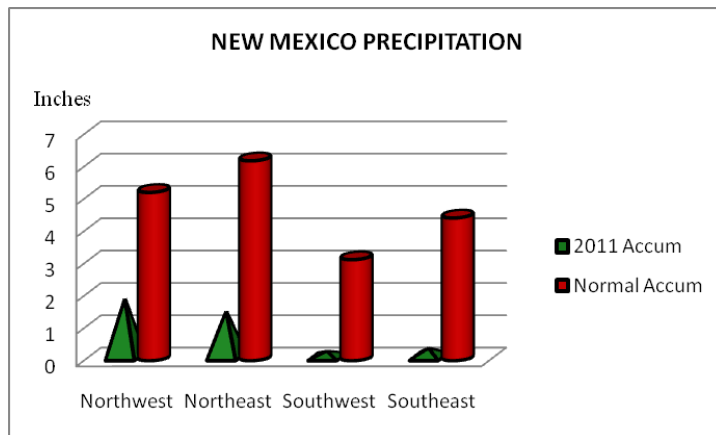
**Taos:** The Osha Fire and High winds have caused the dry conditions to increase throughout the county. The Fire has been 81% contained as of 6-6-11. The smoke remains to make travel and health conditions difficult in the southern part of the county. **Colfax:** This week has been interesting. Spot storms where one area received over an inch, and a mile away had grass fires from lightning. Had a hail storm that really was hard on the alfalfa. **Curry:** Spotted rain in varied amounts. Not enough to get anything growing yet, except maybe weeds. Light rains in the past few days helping pasture conditions slightly but more needed soon. Wind continues to hamper all phases of agriculture. Haying slowed for a few days due to rainfall but quality not expected to be greatly affected. Cattle producers still reducing herds though the recent rains may slow this. Fire danger still very high but somewhat relieved for a few days. Corn emerging and looking fair to good though wind having an affect. Increasing water requirements. Some grain land being prepared but little if any planted at this time. **De Baca:** Native pastures are in poor condition due to lack of precipitation and high winds this winter and spring. The county did receive some scattered showers this week which has given some hope to

ranchers. Irrigators in the Fort Sumner valley have been placed on a 30 minute/acre irrigation cycle which means 25% less irrigation water starting off the season. Still in dry conditions, with just a hint of sprinkles. There has been several fires in the area due to lightning. **Guadalupe:** Native pasture conditions are very poor. High winds have been relentless for the past 5 months and are worsening the drought effects on native pasture. There were some scattered showers in the county this week and ranchers are hopeful that the "good" rains will get here soon. **Chaves:** Very dry and windy. Many grassland fires this past week due to the drought. **Eddy:** Conditions still very dry in the county. Lightning sparked fires over the weekend. Cattle are being supplemented heavily. Carlsbad farmers are beginning to run out of water for irrigation.

RANGE AND PASTURE CONDITION					
	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Northwest	48	45	7	-	-
Northeast	53	38	9	-	-
Southwest	30	61	9	-	-
Southeast	32	32	33	3	-
State Current	42	39	18	1	-
State-Last Week	35	45	18	2	-
State-Last Year	9	21	36	32	2
State-5-Yr Avg.	20	30	28	19	3

### WEATHER SUMMARY

Temperatures were above average for most of New Mexico during the week. Precipitation totals for the week...1.00 at Clayton, 0.17 Capulin, 0.14 Las Vegas, 0.18 Ruidoso and 0.35 at Las Cruces. New Mexico continues under critical fire weather conditions due to low humidities and breezy to windy conditions at times.



NEW MEXICO WEATHER CONDITIONS – MAY 30 – JUNE 05, 2011								
Station	Temperature			Precipitation				
	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	<u>Week</u> 30 May-05 Jun	<u>Month</u> 01 Jun-05 Jun	<u>Accum.</u> 01 Jan-05 Jun	<u>Normal</u> Jun	<u>Normal</u> Jan-Jun
<b>Northwest</b>								
Albuquerque	75.3	94	50	0.00	0.00	0.19	0.59	3.05
Chama	54.6	80	27	0.02	0.02	5.49	1.12	8.84
Farmington	66.4	90	36	0.00	0.00	2.64	0.22	3.37
Gallup	61.1	88	31	0.00	0.00	1.55	0.45	4.19
Grants	61.5	91	25	0.00	0.00	0.32	0.55	3.03
Johnson Ranch	62.9	88	25	0.00	0.00	0.83	0.68	3.77
Los Alamos	65.3	86	35	0.00	0.00	0.61	1.36	6.41
Red River	53.5	75	25	0.00	0.00	4.12	1.40	8.92
Santa Fe	69.0	91	40	-	-	0.54	1.17	5.26
<b>Northeast</b>								
Capulin	67.9	91	30	0.17	0.17	3.06	2.11	7.27
Clayton	72.1	93	40	1.00	1.00	2.07	2.27	6.30
Clovis	77.7	96	55	0.74	0.74	1.22	2.84	7.01
Las Vegas	64.9	87	33	0.14	0.14	0.57	2.04	6.40
Moriarty	64.5	91	32	0.00	0.00	0.58	0.92	3.99
Raton	66.0	88	36	0.16	0.16	1.21	1.99	7.16
Roy	68.3	88	40	0.00	0.00	1.41	2.08	6.06
Tucumcari	77.6	98	45	0.10	0.10	1.17	1.78	5.27
<b>Southwest</b>								
Animas	77.9	98	51	0.00	0.00	0.06	0.44	2.48
Deming	76.4	101	47	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.55	2.28
Gran Quivira	70.7	91	36	0.00	0.00	0.03	1.01	4.71
Quemado	62.9	88	25	0.00	0.00	0.72	0.74	4.19
Socorro	74.3	95	45	0.00	0.00	0.16	0.57	2.50
T or C	76.5	97	51	-	-	0.06	0.69	2.58
<b>Southeast</b>								
Alamogordo	79.4	100	51	0.12	0.12	0.25	0.90	3.28
Carlsbad	81.7	100	63	0.01	0.01	0.01	1.30	3.95
Carrizozo	71.6	95	37	0.00	0.00	0.16	0.78	3.50
Las Cruces	79.1	100	57	0.35	0.35	0.43	0.72	2.27
Roswell	75.7	98	50	0.00	0.00	0.18	1.52	4.75
Ruidoso	68.6	89	41	0.18	0.18	0.55	1.86	6.97
Tatum	78.0	96	59	0.04	0.04	0.26	2.03	6.17

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