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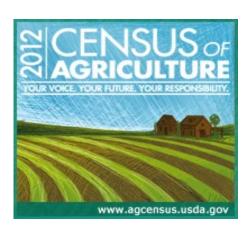
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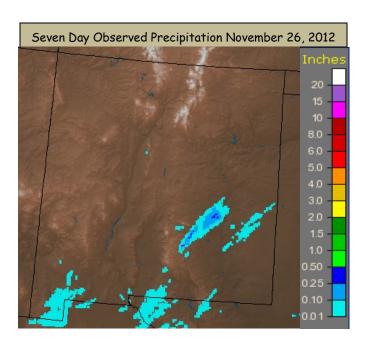
CROP SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING November 25, 2012

This will be the final Crop Weather Summary for 2012. Monthly narratives will be released: December 31, 2012, January 28, 2013, February 25, 2013 and April 1, 2013.



NEW MEXICO: Alfalfa conditions were mostly good to fair; seventh cutting 86% complete. Cotton 75% harvested. Corn conditions were mostly fair to good; 100% grain harvested. Sorghum conditions were mostly poor to very poor; 92% harvested. Winter wheat conditions mostly poor to fair; 99% emerged; 26% grazed. Peanut 91% harvested. Lettuce 92% harvested. Chile conditions were mostly good to fair; 72% harvested red. Pecan conditions were mostly good. Cattle conditions were mostly very poor. Sheep conditions were mostly poor to very poor. Range and pasture conditions were mostly very poor. Days suitable for fieldwork were 6.9. Topsoil moisture was 63% very short, 26% short and 11% adequate. Wind damage was 11% light. Freeze damage was 58% light. No hail damage was reported this week.

CROP PROGRESS PERCENTAGES WITH COMPARISONS							
Crop	Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Average		
Alfalfa	7th Cut	86	82	96	66		
Chile	Hvst Red	72	70	79	87		
Corn	Grn Hvst	100	95	100	99		
Cotton	Hvstd	75	67	68	75		
Lettuce	Hvstd	92	91	98	78		
Peanut	Hvstd	91	90	82	95		
Sorghum	Harvested	92	77	62	89		
W Wheat	Grazed	26	23	25	-		
W Wheat	Emerged	99	97	100	100		

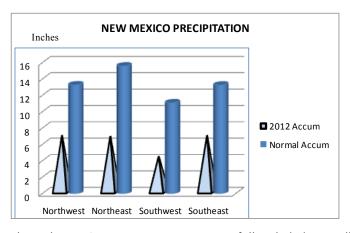


Additional Comments: <u>Luna/Grant</u>: There still has not been any moisture to speak of. Pasture conditions basically remain the same, in trouble.

SOIL MOISTURE PERCENTAGES								
	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus				
Northwest	73	24	3	-				
Northeast	82	18	-	-				
Southwest	35	15	50	-				
Southeast	35	52	13	-				
State Current	63	26	11	-				
State-Last Week	72	23	5	-				
State-Last Year	55	36	9	-				
State-5-Yr Avg.	28	42	29	1				

CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION PERCENTAGES							
Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent		
Alfalfa	3	9	28	58	2		
Chile	2	8	32	43	15		
Corn	1	5	47	47	-		
Pecan	-	1	18	53	28		
Sorghum	31	40	29	-	-		
Winter Wheat	18	43	30	9	-		
Cattle	30	30	26	8	6		
Sheep	34	37	21	8	-		

RANGE AND PASTURE CONDITION							
	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent		
N	1.5						
Northwest	46	37	17	-	-		
Northeast	78	22	-	-	-		
Southwest	63	22	15	-	-		
Southeast	58	31	11	-	-		
State Current	64	28	8	-	-		
State-Last Week	67	27	6	-	-		
State-Last Year	48	34	16	2	-		
State-5-Yr Avg.	16	23	35	23	3		



Weather Summary

Light rain showers skirted the southeastern portions of New Mexico early in the week. Locations receiving rainfall included Roswell with 0.09 inches, Tatum with 0.04 inches and Las Cruces with 0.01 inches. Temperatures continued to be above average for late November across the state. Locations with the highest departures above normal include Chama at 11 degrees, Clayton at 10 degrees and Los Alamos at 9 degrees.

NEW MEXICO WEATHER CONDITIONS - November 19 - November 25, 2012								
	Temperature			Precipitation				
Station	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	<u>Week</u>	<u>Month</u>	Accum.	<u>Normal</u>	<u>Normal</u>
				19 Nov-25 Nov	01 Nov-25 Nov	01 Jan-25Nov	Nov	Jan-Nov
Northwest								
Albuquerque	46.9	62	30	0.00	0.11	5.84	0.43	8.38
Chama	38.9	59	20	0.00	0.70	13.52	1.72	19.81
Farmington	43.5	61	23	0.00	0.43	2.87	0.94	8.12
Gallup	38.4	63	12	0.00	0.37	5.73	0.95	11.91
Grants	40.1	67	13	0.00	0.19	6.65	0.58	10.14
Johnson Ranch	40.5	64	17	0.00	0.15	1.46	0.69	10.85
Los Alamos	42.6	58	28	0.00	0.16	6.91	1.02	17.64
Red River	32.5	53	13	0.00	1.17	14.19	1.18	19.33
Santa Fe	38.7	58	15	0.00	0.10	5.36	0.63	13.21
Northeast								
Capulin	41.4	70	12	0.00	0.01	9.94	0.67	16.94
Clayton	49.4	73	25	0.00	-	6.86	0.52	14.80
Clovis	52.0	73	27	0.00	0.02	3.64	0.73	16.97
Las Vegas	43.1	67	20	0.00	0.03	7.27	0.58	18.36
Moriarty	38.9	64	12	0.00	0.06	9.23	0.40	12.17
Raton	41.1	66	16	0.00	0.01	8.65	0.61	16.22
Roy	-	-	-	0.00	0.00	4.58	0.50	15.29
Tucumcari	52.7	77	31	0.00	0.00	4.42	0.51	13.90
Southwest								
Animas	54.9	75	36	0.00	0.13	5.96	0.71	10.62
Deming	52.9	77	29	0.00	0.05	3.49	0.64	9.73
Gran Quivira	45.4	64	23	0.00	0.14	4.70	0.91	14.92
Quemado	41.8	63	13	0.00	0.11	7.82	0.45	13.04
Socorro	48.7	68	28	0.00	0.03	1.73	0.47	8.95
T or C	52.6	71	33	-	0.01	2.46	0.60	9.22
Southeast								
Alamogordo	51.0	73	29	0.00	0.01	1.89	0.71	11.92
Carlsbad	55.6	80	30	0.00	0.26	10.55	0.59	12.38
Carrizozo	45.9	68	21	0.00	0.39	4.55	0.76	12.07
Las Cruces	55.2	76	32	0.01	0.02	5.25	0.53	8.72
Roswell	50.9	79	24	0.09	0.09	7.07	0.55	12.38
Ruidoso	42.5	65	17	0.00	0.13	10.59	0.88	19.72
Tatum	52.3	75	29	0.04	0.09	8.69	0.55	15.57

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