WYOMING CROP PROGRESS



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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION MONTH OF MARCH 2020

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Wyoming experienced above normal temperatures for the month, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Precipitation for the month of March across Wyoming was near normal. Moisture levels have shifted some from the last report for February as no parts of Wyoming are rated as abnormally dry by the National Integrated Drought Information System. A reporter from South Central Wyoming reports that conditions are extremely variable where some places have little snow and some areas, including the mountains, have considerable snow levels. They also report that calving is well underway. A reporter from Southeastern Wyoming noted that they have received warmer temperatures and dry conditions which has enabled some producers to start pre-planting field work. Another reporter from Southeastern Wyoming reported that spring is advancing slowly with above normal temperatures and near normal precipitation. Hay and roughage supplies for Wyoming were rated 2 percent very short, 10 percent short, 87 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus, compared to 2 percent very short, 6 percent short, 87 percent adequate, and 5 percent surplus last month. Stock water supplies across Wyoming were rated 1 percent very short, 3 percent short, 94 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus, compared to 1 percent very short, 6 percent short, 88 percent adequate, and 5 percent surplus last month. Cattle death loss was rated as 45 percent average and 55 percent light. Sheep death loss was rated as 1 percent heavy, 69 percent average, and 30 percent light.

Note: The first weekly report will be released on Monday, April 6, 2020.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS						
Commodity	Current report	Previous report	Previous year	5-year average		
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
Barley Planted	20	NA	2	NA		
Cattle and calves Cows calved	21	6	24	NA		
Ewes lambed	10	2	18	NA		
Sheep shorn	32	7	29	NA		

NA - not available

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SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

	Current report	Previous report	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture	*	*	*	•
Very short	1	3		NA
Short	8	17	11	NA
Adequate	83	79	69	NA
Surplus	8	1	20	NA
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	4	4		NA
Short	9	17	19	NA
Adequate	81	77	70	NA
Surplus	6	2	11	NA

NA – not available

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CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

Commodity	Current report	Previous report	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Pasture and range	-			-
Very poor	6	8	7	NA
Poor	15	5	8	NA
Fair	31	13	42	NA
Good	47	73	43	NA
Excellent	1	1		NA
Winter wheat				
Very poor	3	7	3	NA
Poor	3	7	16	NA
Fair	20	26	25	NA
Good	67	53	52	NA
Excellent	7	7	4	NA
Livestock				
Very poor	1		3	NA
Poor	1	2	4	NA
Fair	7	10	27	NA
Good	90	85	64	NA
Excellent	1	3	2	NA

NA – not available

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