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**FLORIDA CROP PROGRESS &
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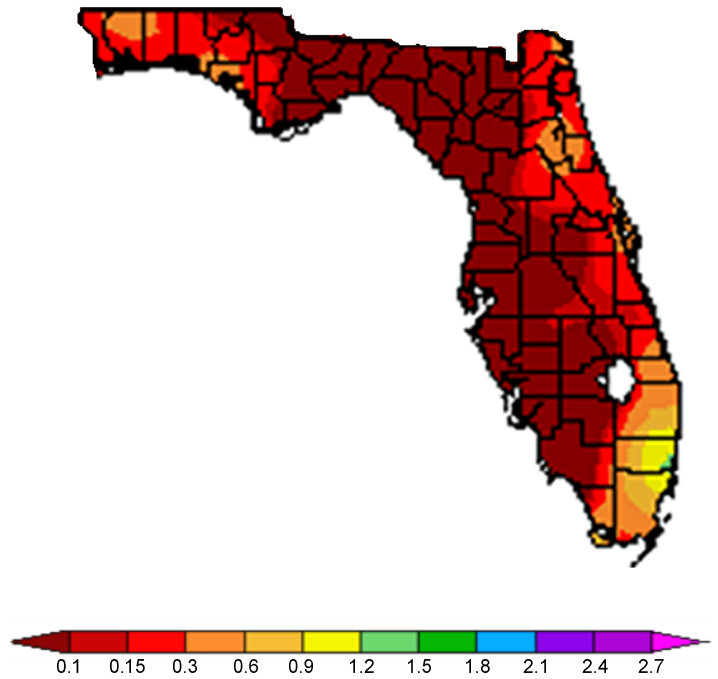
Rain Needed

Weather Summary: All of Florida's Automated Weather Network (FAWN) locations reported less than one inch of rain this week. Fort Lauderdale (Broward County) received the most rain with 0.86 of an inch. The highest temperature was reported in Fort Lauderdale (Broward County) at 88.34 degrees and the next highest reading was in Indian River (Indian River County) at 87.42 degrees. The lowest temperature was 39.62 degrees in Defuniak Springs (Walton County).

Soil Moisture Ratings

Moisture Rating	Topsoil		
	Previous week	Previous year	Current week
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	1	5	4
Short	43	41	49
Adequate	55	49	46
Surplus	1	5	1

Precipitation (in)—Florida: Nov. 4-10, 2013



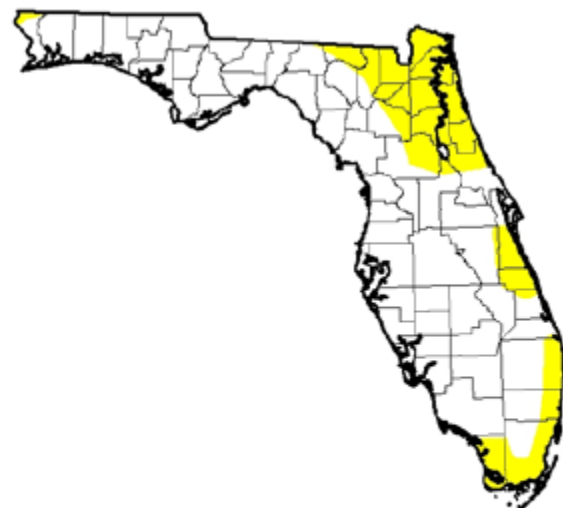
Source: Southeast Regional Climate Center

Field Crops: Peanut harvest was 97 percent complete, ahead of the 5-year average of 95 percent and the same as last year's progress. Winter grazing in Jefferson County was struggling due to lack of rain. Hay was being cut in Orange and Seminole counties. Sugarcane harvesting is ongoing in Glades and Hendry counties.

Peanut Crop Harvest Progress

Stage	5-year average	Previous year	Current week
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Harvested	95	97	97

U.S. Drought Monitor—Florida: Nov. 5, 2013



Intensity:

- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Drought - Moderate
- D2 Drought - Severe
- D3 Drought - Extreme
- D4 Drought - Exceptional

Fruits & Vegetables: Vegetable harvest in Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry, and Lee counties was increasing as the Thanksgiving market approaches. In Miami-Dade County harvesting and replanting of winter vegetables continued. Cabbage and leafy greens continued to be planted in Flagler and Putnam counties. Vegetables and fruits marketed included eggplant, cucumbers, squash, tomatoes, fall watermelons and some specialty items.

Livestock and Pastures: The cattle condition was mostly good. Pasture condition across the State ranged from fair to good condition. Pasture condition declined seasonally due to cooler temperatures and dryer weather.

Cattle and Pasture Condition

Condition	Cattle		Pasture	
	Previous week	Current week	Previous week	Current week
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very poor.....	0	0	0	1
Poor.....	1	2	1	4
Fair.....	19	20	30	35
Good.....	70	70	65	59
Excellent.....	10	8	4	1

Citrus: Rain was very light and scattered this week in the citrus growing region. Only Wellington (Palm Beach County) and Indian River (Indian River County) recorded more than a trace of rain. Twenty-six stations recorded less than a tenth of an inch of rainfall for the week, eight of those stations received no precipitation at all. No station recorded more than 0.31 inches of rain. Temperatures were cooler this week, mid-80's through most of the citrus growing area. Trees still look good due to rainfall early in the season and irrigation applied by growers and caretakers. As per the U.S. Drought Monitor, last updated November 5, 2013, abnormally dry conditions returned to the Indian River citrus growing area, except for the western area, which is still drought free.

Fruit size appears to be smaller than average with some areas reporting oranges golf ball size and larger and other areas closer to baseball size. Grapefruit were also running smaller than average this season. Grove activity included resetting of new trees, pushing of dead groves and replanting new citrus, mowing, fertilizing and psyllid control. Thirty-two of 44 packinghouses have opened and begun shipping small quantities of fruit. Only seven of nineteen processing plants are open so far this season.

Citrus Estimated Boxes Harvested

[In thousands of 1-3/5 bushel boxes]

Crop	Oct 27, 2013	Nov 3, 2013	Nov 11, 2013
	(boxes)	(boxes)	(boxes)
Early & mid oranges.....	39	71	93
Ambersweet.....	28	21	4
Navel oranges.....	51	71	94
White Grapefruit.....	26	30	78
Colored Grapefruit.....	237	266	316
Tangelos.....	0	0	4
Sunburst tangerines.....	0	38	103
Fallglo tangerines.....	95	72	39
Total.....	476	569	731

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