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FLORIDA CROP PROGRESS & CONDITION REPORT



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Widespread Rainfall Received

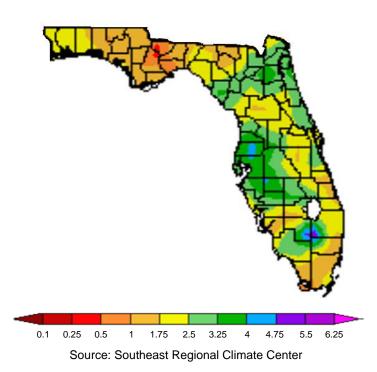
Weather Summary: According to Florida's Automated Weather Network (FAWN), rainfall ranged from one half inch to 6.29 inches this past week. Defuniak Springs (Walton County) received the most rain with 6.29 inches, followed by Joshua (De Soto County) with 5.17 inches, and Jay (Santa Rosa County) with 4.65 inches. Per the U.S. Drought Monitor, last updated July 15, 2014, Florida was 97% drought free. The highest temperature was 96 degrees at Immokalee (Collier County) and Palmdale (Glades County). The lowest temperature in the State was 61 degrees at Defuniak Springs (Walton County).

Soil Moisture Ratings

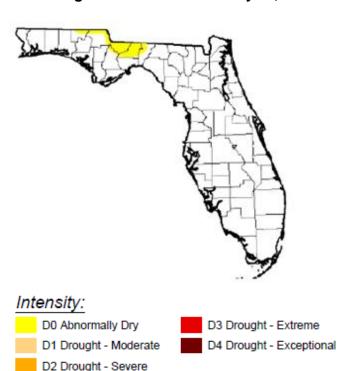
Malatona	Topsoil			
Moisture Rating	Previous week	Previous year	Current week	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	
Very short	0	0	0	
Short	12	1	7	
Adequate	77	59	79	
Surplus	11	40	14	

Field Crops: There was an average of 6.1 days suitable for field work that was down from 6.3 days the previous week. Hay was being cut in the Panhandle, north, and central Florida. Army worms caused some damage in crops in the Panhandle with isolated areas seeing significant pressure. Field corn harvesting began in Dixie County. Peanut pegging was ahead of the previous year and the 5-year average. Peanut condition was mostly good for the State. Some peanut fields were flooded from recent rain. Rice harvest was in full swing in Palm Beach County.

Precipitation (in)-Florida: July 13-19, 2014



U.S. Drought Monitor-Florida: July 15, 2014



Peanut Progress and Condition

Stage	5-year average	Previous year	Current week
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Pegged	66	66 72	
Condition			
Very Poor	0	0	0
Poor	3	3	1
Fair	22	31	16
Good	60	48	75
Excellent	15	18	8

Citrus: Rainfall in the citrus producing area this past week was widespread and generally heavy. All stations received more than a half inch of precipitation. Eleven stations received more than two inches and four received more than three inches. Joshua (De Soto County) received the most at 5.17 inches, followed by Dover (Hillsborough County) with 4.14 inches. Arcadia (De Soto County) recorded the least with 0.56 inches of precipitation. Daytime high temperatures were warm, reaching the low to mid 90s in all citrus producing counties. As per the U.S. Drought Monitor, last updated July 15, 2014, the entire citrus producing region in Florida remained drought free.

Next season's crop was progressing well. Growers and caretakers were applying summer oils, fertilizing, irrigating, and in some cases resetting new trees.

Fruit and Vegetables: Farmers in Gadsden County started planting the fall tomato crop. Farmers in Bradford County were planting peppers and lettuce under protective covers. Fruits and vegetables being harvested in Miami-Dade County included: avocados, okra, boniato, malanga, mangoes. Okra, bitter melon, and boniato were also being planted in Miami-Dade County.

Livestock and Pastures: Statewide, the cattle and pasture condition was mostly good. Pastures in the Panhandle have damage by army worms. Pastures throughout the State have received significant rain and were generally in good condition. Water was still standing in pastures in St. Lucie County.

Cattle and Pasture Condition

	Cattle		Pasture	
Condition	Previous week	Current week	Previous week	Current week
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very poor	0	0	0	0
Poor	1	1	4	4
Fair	17	17	25	24
Good	74	74	63	63
Excellent	8	8	8	9

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