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Pennsylvania

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Good Week for Field Work: Pennsylvania had an average of 5.0 days suitable for field work last week.

Favorable weather earlier in the week provided good opportunities for cutting hay and harvesting late soybeans. Corn moisture is still being reported by some as too high and therefore delaying grain harvests. Apples and potato harvests, as well as the remainder of hay cuttings, have nearly finished. Reports of killer frost and even snow in some counties over the weekend. Temperatures this week may follow a similar pattern as the week prior, with Tuesday expected to be in the high 60s but followed by temperatures dropping into the mid 40s by the week. Rains likely this Wednesday, Friday and Sunday. Expected field activities include harvesting and planting.

PA Soil Moisture for Week Ending November 2nd, 2014 (equal to 100%)

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Subsoil	7	11	78	4
Topsoil	8	8	78	6

<u>Crop Condition (in %):</u>

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Quality of Hay Made	1	7	31	40	21
Soybeans	0	1	12	63	24

	<u>Crop Prog</u>	<u>Crop Progress (in %):</u>					
	Nov 2 nd	Last Year					
Alfalfa 4 th Cutting	90	98					

			Average
Alfalfa 4 th Cutting	90	98	94
Apples Harvested	92	96	96
Barley Planted	93	96	94
Barley Emerged	83	95	83
Corn Harvested for Grain	51	64	59
Fall Tillage	78	-	-
Grapes Harvested	83	89	-
Potatoes Harvested	95	100	100
Soybeans Dropping Leaves	95	-	-
Soybeans Harvested	63	75	59
Winter Wheat Planted	90	87	81
Winter Wheat Emerged	79	73	63

For a complete nationwide weekly weather and crop bulletin, please visit <u>www.usda.gov/oce/weather</u> and click on "Weekly Weather and Crop Bulletin."

		Last Week Weather Summa					nmary	Accu	pril 1,	2014			
											Base	Base	
		Temperature		Precip	itation		cipita		50		40F		
Region	Station	Hi	Lo	Avg	DFN	Total	Days	Total	DFN	Days	Total	DFN	Total
Northwest	Clarion	75	29	46	+3	0.52	4	35.94	+5.02	112	2310	+74	4243
	Erie	76	36	51	+3	0.31	5	25.80	-1.60	88	2876	+141	4855
	Franklin_AG	76	32	47	+2	1.50	5	39.78	10.69	110	2574	+84	4549
	Meadville-Port	75	32	48	+3	0.58	4	32.90	+4.69	105	2633	+327	4607
	Springboro	73	32	46	+1	0.69	5	36.94	10.44	104	2252	-79	4128
	Warren	76	32	47	+2	0.68	4	33.29	+4.24	99	2452	+72	4387
North Central	Bradford_Region	73	28	45	+3	0.93	5	32.28	+3.54	92	2006	+242	3843
	Coudersport_1SW	76	28	44	+2	0.53	5	32.85	+4.68	107	1929	+71	3711
	Kane	74	27	44	+4	0.84	4	39.17	+9.67	95	1867	+352	3678
	Laporte	70	30	43	0	0.19	3	33.16	+7.56	92	1977	-44	3794
	Lock_Haven	78	33	48	+3	0.09	2	24.96	-2.20	85	2733	+96	4739
	Oswayo	74	24	43	+1	0.58	4	29.23	+2.22	87	1829	+21	3598
	Renovo	80	32	49	+4	0.00	0	26.23	+0.82	93	2670	+53	4684
	Ridgway	76	28	46	+4	0.51	4	33.56	+4.95	104	2271	+368	4179
	Stevenson_Dam	80	31	48	+4	0.07	2	25.45	-2.15	87	2364		4283
	Towanda	77	30	46	+2	0.04	2	20.76	-1.85	77	2446		4358
	Wellsboro	73	30	44	+2	0.17	3	26.92	+4.20	95	1947		3779
	Williamsport_AP	76	33	51	+5	0.04	3	25.34	-1.24	83	3122		5173
	Hawley	78	27	44	-1	0.31	3	28.95	+2.69	91	2191	+133	4058
	Milanville	78	30	46	+3	0.31	4	25.84	-0.42	79	2458		4399
	Susquehanna	75	29	46	+3	0.23	2	24.94	-2.34	86		+153	4250
	Wilkes-Barre	81	31	50	+4	0.17	4	19.36	-5.50	76	3069		5090
	Butler	76	29	47	+4	0.17	3	32.15	+4.86	101	2525		4513
		76	32	47	+3	0.18	3	30.99	+4.80	101	2893		4915
	New_Castle_Ag	75	30	49			2						4913
	Slippery_Rock				+3	0.35		35.29	+7.84	102	2772		
	Altoona_AP	79	34	50	+3	0.16	4	27.32	+3.75	86	2786		4823
	Du_Bois	74	31	48	+4	0.48	2	33.69	+6.25	94	2554		4526
	Lewistown	83	36	51	+5	0.10	2	31.57	+5.42	85	2978		5040
	Middletown	78	38	53	+4	0.11	2	27.07	+1.79	79	3615		5727
	Prince_Gallitzi	76	27	47	+2	0.27	3	25.64	+0.80	104	2396		4355
	Selinsgrove_2S	79		49	+3	0.28	2	24.86	-2.16	77	2860		4873
	State_College_P	77	36	49	+4	0.07	2	32.53	+7.66	94	2668		4694
	Allentown-Bethl	77	29	51	+4	0.22	3		-1.59	74			5320
	Lehighton	75	29	47	+3	0.06	2	30.60	-0.82	89	2620		4615
	Mt_Pocono	76	25	47	+6	0.13	2	26.69	-3.86	79			4201
Southwest	Pittsburgh_Alle	78	33	51	+6	0.32	2	26.36	+2.36	92	3305		5392
	Chalk_Hill	76	33	48	+4	0.43	3	34.82	+1.59	106	2304		4224
	Connellsville_A	78	32	49	+3	0.79	3	33.66		106			5025
	Indiana_3SE	77	33	48	+2	0.35	3		-0.79	109	2558		4552
	Meyersdale	74		46	+2	0.21	3		-1.17	98	2129		4024
	Pittsburgh_Intl	77	33	50	+3	0.24	2		+1.91	90			5173
	Waynesburg	78		48	+3	0.44	3	23.78	-1.21	98	2750	+118	4769
South Central	Biglerville	81	36	51	+5	0.13	1	28.63	+1.38	70	3184		5251
	Everett	80	28	48	+3	0.22	4	22.30	-2.17	87	2371	-156	4349
	Hanover	82	33	51	+2	0.16	3	28.96	+5.54	81	3010	-247	5077
	Harrisburg_AP	80	38	53	+4	0.13	3	27.06	+1.78	78	3359	+45	5462
	South_Mountain	76	32	47	-3	0.14	2	28.66	-1.85	84	2463	-592	4444
	York_AP	83	31	52	+4	0.11	2	25.45	-1.20		3131	-75	5204
Southeast	Doylestown_AG	72	31	50	-2	0.79	3	26.42	-3.14	67	3188	-260	5234
	Green_Lane	75	33	50	+3	0.61	3	27.62	-0.06		3173	+332	5225
	Hamburg	76	32	49	+3	0.09	2		+2.55	79	3048		5091
	Lancaster_AP	73		52	+4	0.05	1	28.76					5267
	Neshaminy_Falls	75		48	-2	1.45	2		-3.28				5372
	New_Holland	78		52	+4	0.23	3						5472
	Philadelphia_AP	76		55	+3	0.95	3		+2.36				6182
	Philadelphia_NE	75		54	+6	1.01	3		-4.82	76			6053
	Reading_AP	79		53	+5	0.11	3		-0.20				5618
	nearing_m	19	94								5521	-519	5010
	Sellersville	73	28	47	-2	0.57	3	30.54	-0.58	73	2923	-33	4934

November 2, 2014 Pennsylvania Weekly Weather Summary

Reporters are from Extension Service (Ext), Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), Farm Service Agency (FSA), Conservation District (CD), farmers, commodity specialists, or other knowledgeable individuals.

ADAMS County, Judy A. Behney

Adams County started the week out Monday with 35 and frosty conditions. Then sunny and low 70's. Tuesday was 63 morning temperature and nice and sunny and warmed to 83 degrees. Wednesday morning was 63 degres and cloudy. Rain showers started mid morning and off and on all day but not much accumulation. Thursday was 50 degrees and sunny blue sky and then late afternoon got cloudy but was in the 60's. Today it started around 48 and by mid morning only 50 and cloudy. Suppose to have rain showers late tonight and then colder temperatures over the weekend. Corn and soybeans continue to be harvested as they are ready and field conditions permit. A lot of producers worked long hours on Tuesday as weather was perfect for harvesting before some rain on Wednesday. Some corn and soybeans planted later are still maturing. Corn isn't drying down as fast as producers would like it too. Good yields are being reported for both corn and soybeans. Hay making has slowed considerably but some still making some. Some more wheat was also planted early week as conditions permitted but the rain showers on Wednesdav halted temporarily. Wheat and new seedings of hay that were planted earlier look a nice stand has been established. Apple harvest continues in the county with some producers finishing up this week and some will finish next week but there are others that will have a few more weeks due to shortage of workers. Good yields are being reported also for this year. Majority of the vegetables are done now. Pumpkins were reported as having a bumper crop this year in the county and some being left in the fields. Some producers still have vegetables available from their high tunnels systems they have built the last few years. Overall the producers are keeping busy with fieldwork and hoping they can harvest their crops before the weather changes too much to add to a delay in harvesting. Producers are reminded to visit their FSA offices to report their 2015 crops.

ADAMS/FRANKLIN County, Thomas Kerr

Couple of really nice days allowed for final cutting of alfalfa to be made. Corn grain is now around 17% and soybeans are better than half off by now.

CENTRE County, Dick A. Decker

Good week for field work. Soybean harvest completed and corn harvest has started. Less than 1/16 inch of rainfall for the week.

CLARION/FOREST/VENANGO County, Tom Tanner

Spraying fields for spring crops. Harvesting of shelled corn and soybeans.

COLUMBIA County, John O. Yocum

Some corn grain moisture remaining high slowing harvest.

JUNIATA/SNYDER County, William C. Sheaffer

Weather conditions slowed the harvesting of corn and soybeans. Fall seeding of wheat and barley as well as cover crops are looking good. Main activities for the week were harvesting and planting.

LANCASTER County, Jeff Graybill

Despite high winds over the weekend, corn remaining in the field is standing fairly well. Corn is finally dry in the field and harvest should start to wind down this week. Small grains are well established, seeing a lot of wheat planted this fall. A lot of late soybeans are still waiting to be harvest as well.

LEBANON County, Charlene Ziegler

Soybeans continue to be harvested. Corn is testing at higher moisture than desired and harvest is slow. Cover crop seeding continues as fields are harvested. A good week for emptying manure pits and spreading the contents.

MERCER County, Jim Rust

Field corn has been slow to dry down in the field. Field corn that was replanted in May is being harvested with lower yields. Area feeder cattle have been sold in October at record prices.

POTTER County, Nicole L. Santangelo

It snowed this weekend with hard frost and freezing temps.

SOMERSET County, Dale Kriner

The harvest of corn grain and soybeans is picking up speed. We had a bit of snow over the weekend and 25 degrees this morning, it looks like winter is on our doorstep. I saw a long range forecast that is predicting 118 inches of snow in Somerset this winter. Of course, long range forecasts and \$2 will get you a cup of coffee.

WESTMORELAND County, Thomas Sierzega

Cool weather setting in. First killing frost of the season. Corn and bean harvest progressing. Extremely dry. Could use some rain.

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