

February 26, 2024

**South Carolina:** February temperatures ranged from no difference to 3.6 degrees warmer than historical averages depending on location. Total rainfall during the month ranged from 1.2 inches in Cherokee County to 5.1 inches in Colleton County. According to the U.S. Drought Monitor the state had no drought classification throughout the entire month.

Weather conditions during the month permitted for great working days. Producers were able to prepare fields for corn and cotton planting with chicken litter applications being made and fields being burnt down. Livestock were noted to be in good condition. Greenhouses in the Pee Dee region were being prepared and planted with tobacco seed. Hay inventory should be sufficient as pasture began to improve with the warmer temperatures and rainfall. Small grains were continuing to do well with wheat tillering with good vigor.