

Extension Agricultural Weather Report

February 10, 2020 - February 17, 2020

STATEWIDE CROP SUMMARY

(Data provided by the National Agricultural Statistics Service Crop Progress and Condition Report)

General

There were 6.6 days suitable for field work.

Precipitation estimates ranged from no rain in multiple locations to to 3.2 inches Boca Raton (Palm Beach County).

The average temperature ranged from 59.4°F in Niceville (Okaloosa County) to 78.9°F in West Palm Beach (Palm Beach County).

Livestock and Pastures

Cattle herds were reported to be thinning out in some locations.

Some supplemental feeding was reported in multiple counties where pastures remained dry.

Cattle condition remained mostly good throughout the state.

Fruits and Vegetables

Unseasonably warm temperatures and foggy conditions contributed to disease development in vegetable crops.

Strawberry harvesting and good yields were reported in the northern and central peninsula.

Growers throughout the southern peninsula were wrapping up spring vegetable planting.

Field Crops

Sugarcane harvesting continued.

Citrus

Maximum temperatures ranged from the mid to upper 80s across the citrus growing region, with Sebring (Highlands County) reaching 89°F.

The greatest amount of rainfall occurred in Port St.



Lucie (St. Lucie County), which measured 0.8 inches.

According to the February 13, 2020 U.S. Drought Monitor, abnormally dry conditions decreased in the western area, but persisted in the central area. The remaining portion of the citrus growing area was still drought free.

Early and midseason orange harvest was winding down for the season.

At least one processing plant began receiving Valencia packinghouse eliminations.

Grove activities included fertilizing, hedging, applying herbicides, and some pre-harvest mowing.

Irrigation was run steadily in all areas, with ditches and reservoirs reported to still be low.

Field staff reported color break on late variety oranges, increasing signs of early bloom, and new tree growth.

Soil Moisture Summary

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TOPSOIL	THIS WEEK (%)	PREVIOUS WEEK (%)
Very Short	1	2
Short	17	15
Adequate	71	80
Surplus	11	3

Weekly Temperature & Rainfall Data from FAWN Stations by District

Northwest District





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NWS 6-10 DAY OUTLOOKS



NWS 6-10 day Temperature Outlook



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