Extension Agricultural Weather Report

April 19, 2021 - April 26, 2021.

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

General
There were 6.2 days suitable for field work. Precipitation estimates ranged from trace amounts in a few locations to 6.1 inches at Bob Sikes Airport (Okaloosa County). The average temperature ranged from 62.7°F in Niceville (Okaloosa County) to 80.9°F at Miami International Airport (Miami-Dade County).

Livestock and Pastures
Cattle and pasture condition remained mostly fair to good throughout the state. Rainfall benefitted pasture health.

Fruits and Vegetables
A variety of fruits and vegetables were planted and marketed. Much of the state received rainfall, with some flood damage reported in the panhandle. Some disease pressure was reported on vegetable crops in the southern part of the state.

Field Crops
Corn and peanut planting continued as weather permitted. Sugarcane harvest continued.

Citrus
Maximum temperatures were in the mid 80s to low 90s. The citrus growing region once again received beneficial rainfall, with Frostproof (Polk County) receiving the most at 5.1 inches.

According to the April 22, 2021 U.S. Drought Monitor, the entire southern area, along with smaller sections of the northern and central areas were still under abnormally dry conditions. Valencias were harvested at over two and a half million boxes weekly, with processing expected to continue through middle or late May. Grove activities included mowing, fertilizing, hedging, herbicide application, nutritional application, taking care of young trees, general grove maintenance, and pushing/replanting of old trees. Irrigation was run frequently in all areas. Marble size and larger fruit was reported for next season, with normal fruit drop occurring.

Soil Moisture Summary
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Weekly Temperature & Rainfall Data from FAWN Stations by District

Northwest District
Northeast District
Southwest District
Central District
Southeast District

- **7-day rainfall (inches)**
- **7-day Maximum Temperature (°F)**
- **7-day Minimum Temperature (°F)**

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