Extension Agricultural Weather Report


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

General
There were 6.0 days suitable for field work. Precipitation estimates ranged no rain in some locations to 7.2 inches in Deland (Volusia County). The average temperature ranged from 77.3°F in Jasper (Hamilton County) to 86.7°F at Tampa International Airport (Hillsborough County).

Livestock and Pastures
Cattle condition remained mostly good throughout the state.

Crops
A variety of fruits and vegetables were planted and marketed. Persistent rain across much of the state continued to saturate fields, and some standing water was noted in the northern part of the state. Cotton continued to progress, but producers noted spraying difficulties due to wet conditions. Wet conditions continued to slow hay cutting and producers noted concern about the quality of this year’s crop.

Citrus
Maximum temperatures were in the low to mid 90s across the citrus growing region, with Central Florida (Lake County) and Sebring (Highlands County) both reaching 94°F. The citrus growing region once again received significant rainfall, with most stations receiving one to two inches. Mount Plymouth (Lake County) received the most at 3.96 inches, followed by Muse (Glades County), which received 3.71 inches. According to the July 22, 2021 U.S. Drought Monitor, the entire citrus growing region was drought free. Next season’s crop was progressing well, with oranges slightly larger than golf ball in size, and grapefruit approximately baseball in size. Grove activities included mowing, fertilizing, spraying, herbicide and copper application, and general grove maintenance. Irrigation was run intermittently in areas of lower rainfall occurrence.

Soil Moisture Summary
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