Extension Agricultural Weather Report
Oct 1st, 2018 - October 8th, 2018

Weekly Temperature & Rainfall Data from FAWN Stations by District

Northeast District

Central District

Northwest District

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

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NWS 6-10 DAY OUTLOOKS

NWS 6-10 day Rainfall Outlook

NWS 6-10 day Temperature Outlook
**STATEWIDE CROP SUMMARY**
(Data provided by the National Agricultural Statistics Service Crop Progress and Condition Report)

**General:**
There were 6.5 days suitable for field work. Precipitation estimates ranged from no rain in multiple locations to 2.86” in Putnam County. The average temperature ranged from 74.4°F in Jasper (Hamilton County) to 85.2°F in Cape Florida (Miami-Dade County).

**Livestock and Pastures:**
Some farmers in Escambia County were able to plant winter pastures. Pastures are getting short and decreasing in quality in Columbia County. Cattle condition remained mostly good, with lower temperatures a relief in Indian River County.

**Fruits and Vegetables:**
Growers continued preparing land and planting vegetables in several counties. Dry weather in Palm Beach County helped growers stay on planting schedules. Some bacterial and target spot disease pressures were reported in Manatee County. Crops harvested included avocado, bitter melon, boniato, malanga, and okra.

**Field Crops:**
Cotton and peanut harvesting are expected to begin soon in Escambia and Walton Counties. Growers that began harvesting peanuts in Lafayette County are waiting until Hurricane Michael passes before any further digging. Most peanuts in Levy County have been harvested. Hay cutting took place in Columbia, Dixie, and Volusia Counties. Sugarcane continued to look very good, with harvesting reported in Palm Beach County.

**Citrus:**
Daily temperatures were average or above in the citrus growing region, with highs in the mid-80s to low 90s all week. Rainfall was very light, with most stations recording less than one inch of rainfall. According to the October 2, 2018 U.S. Drought Monitor, the citrus region remained drought free, with the exception of the Indian River District and limited areas in adjoining counties in which abnormally dry conditions were present. Caretakers were spraying, mowing, apply herbicides, and planting new resets. Irrigation took place across the citrus region. Well-maintained groves looked good, with good fruit sets and healthy trees. Owners tested maturity levels for harvest of early oranges, grapefruit, and tangerines. Packinghouses ran small quantities of Fallglo tangerines and Navel oranges, and increased operations for additional early variety fruit.

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

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