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LOUISIANA CROP WEATHER SUMMARY

For Crop Week Ending Sunday, June 04, 2006

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CROP INFORMATION

Days suitable for fieldwork: 5.8

Soil moisture supplies: 13% very short, 44% short, 41% adequate and 2% surplus

Field Crops Report

Louisiana crop producers continued to battle drought conditions. Rain was received across most of the state which brought some relief to crops, but still 8.3 inches below the normal rainfall. Rice and cotton planting finished. Soybean planting jumped ahead after receiving much needed rainfall. Sugarcane producers were busy finishing up with fertilizer and pre-emergence herbicide applications, with some reports of rust. Wheat remained substantially ahead of the average due to the dry, warm weather.

Fruits, Vegetables and Specialty Crops

Vegetable producers continued to harvest and sell produce. Vegetable producers were also spraying to control the high pressure of insects. Dry conditions were causing fruit to drop.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

Drought conditions continued to cause declines in pasture and cattle conditions, but showed improvement after rain. Harvesting of hay continued as weather allowed.

PERCENT OF PROGRESS							
CROP	STAGE	Current Week	Last Week	2005	5 YR AVG		
Corn	Silked	62	34	30	39		
	Planted	100	97	100	99		
Cotton	Emerged	95	93	97	96		
	Squaring	13	8	14	19		
Нау	First Cutting	77	71	59	66		
Peaches	Harvested	10	0	9	12		
Rice	Planted	100	99	99	99		
NICE	Emerged	99	98	98	98		
Sorghum	Planted	99	96	93	96		
	Emerged	96	91	88	90		
Soybeans	Planted	94	87	78	79		
	Emerged	85	77	69	70		
	Blooming	7	0	5	4		
Sweet Potatoes	weet Potatoes Planted		22	31	44		
Wheat	eat Harvested		89	67	71		
Land Preparation	Spring plowing	99	99	100	99		

CONDITIONS IN PERCENTAGES								
ITEM	VERY POOR	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCELLENT			
Corn	0	5	22	65	8			
Cotton	0	4	25	68	3			
Rice	0	1	40	50	9			
Sorghum	0	1	31	62	6			
Soybeans	0	6	26	66	2			
Sugarcane	5	14	36	35	10			
Livestock	1	9	40	43	7			
Vegetables	3	21	43	29	4			
Pasture	6	19	45	25	5			

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			AIR TEMPERATURE		PRECIPITATION				
		MAX	MIN	AVG	NRM	WEEKLY TOTAL	FOUR WEEKS	YR. TO DATE	NORM
1.	Northwest LSU-Bossier City Minden Mooringsport Extreme/Average	94 91 90 94	60 60 63 60	79 77 78 78	77 76 MM 76	0.07 0.38 0.07 0.17	0.19 0.45 0.07 0.24	18.56 23.91 20.34 20.94	23.77 26.13 20.87 24.31
2.	North-Central LSU-Calhoun Homer/Hill Farm ULM-Monroe Winnfield Extreme/Average	91 90 92 91 92	59 61 60 57 57	78 77 77 77 77 77	76 75 77 76 76	0.67 1.33 1.92 0.27 1.05	0.67 1.38 3.08 0.55 1.42	25.24 27.37 27.07 21.89 25.39	27.13 26.02 28.85 27.98 27.43
3.	Northeast Lake Providence LSU-St Joseph LSU-Winnsboro Tallulah Extreme/Average	92 93 (97) 92 97	64 65 61 61	79 80 80 78 79	76 77 77 77 77 77	0.11 0.49 0.77 0.35 0.43	$0.35 \\ 1.77 \\ 1.00 \\ 1.83 \\ 1.24$	21.86 25.90 27.70 31.24 26.68	30.03 29.02 28.35 29.50 29.11
4.	West-Central Leesville LSU-Rosepine Natchitoches Extreme/Average	93 92 93 93	(56) 58 63 56	77 78 79 78	76 77 77 77	2.20 1.74 3.01 2.32	2.38 1.89 3.95 2.74	21.40 23.58 26.74 23.91	26.28 26.05 26.49 26.18
5.	Central Alexandria Brusly Bunkie LSU-Alexandria Extreme/Average	92 91 91 94 94	63 60 62 62 60	80 78 79 79 79	78 77 78 77 78	0.70 1.24 1.43 1.34 1.18	0.70 2.64 1.43 2.52 1.82	23.06 15.83 21.37 19.19 19.86	27.69 27.79 29.60 26.65 27.97
6.	East-Central Bogalusa LSU-Baton Rouge LSU-Clinton LSU-Hammond Slidell Extreme/Average	95 94 90 94 95	61 62 66 61 61	81 80 78 81 80 80	77 78 76 77 78 78	0.00 0.29 1.66 0.00 0.00 0.07	1.40 1.08 1.66 0.15 0.01 0.66	12.60 16.62 14.99 12.11 10.30 12.91	30.09 27.15 29.48 28.56 28.52 29.53
7.	Southwest De Ridder Jennings LSU-Crowley Extreme/Average	MM 90 90 90	MM 61 62 61	MM 79 78 79	78 78 79 79	1.37 0.15 0.33 0.15	1.77 0.32 0.44 0.32	29.23 15.93 15.85 15.93	26.49 24.77 25.64 25.05
8.	South-Central Donaldsonville LSU-Jeanerette Morgan City Extreme/Average	92 91 93 93	63 63 71 63	79 79 82 80	78 78 78 79	0.48 0.43 0.00 0.30	0.81 0.68 0.15 0.55	11.81 13.19 9.12 11.37	25.90 24.64 25.22 25.35
9.	Southeast Galliano Houma NO Audubon Park Reserve Extreme/Average	92 93 95 95 95	69 66 71 63 63	81 82 83 80 82	78 79 80 78 79	0.60 0.00 0.02 0.00 0.16	1.43 0.64 0.21 0.00 0.57	11.78 12.05 9.57 13.17 11.64	26.91 25.51 26.27 28.60 26.79
Sta	ate State Averages	97	56	79	78	0.64	1.06	18.60	26.93
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M = Missing () = Extremes Yr. To Date = Through June 4, 2006

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