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Wheat Markets Concentrate on Weather

With the Kansas City Board of Trade nearby losing 39 cents this week to close at \$8.93, nationally the wheat marketing is concentrating on weather. Last Monday's crop condition report placed national winter wheat conditions at 40% poor or very poor, compared to 6% poor or very poor last year; only 6% of the national winter wheat crop was listed as good or excellent, compared with 69% good or excellent one year ago.

Wyoming's current picture is 66% good or excellent, with only 1% listed as poor or very poor, a stark contrast with conditions in the southern plains.

USDA listed spring wheat at 6% planted at the end of last week, compared to the five year average of 25%, and 39% planted as of this time last year.

The market will be following the crop progress report issued on May 2 closely; if you would like to view the weekly crop condition report, you may [click here](#); the weekly Wyoming report can be accessed [at this](#)

Thanks! Keith

[link](#). With weather playing such an important role in current markets, don't look for volatility to decrease any time soon.

Variety Trial Tour Announced

Dr. James Krall announced last week that the Wyoming Variety Trial Tour will be held June 23, 2011 (Thursday) beginning at 10:30 am, at the Theron Anderson farm, where the irrigated trials will be reviewed. Dr. Dipak Santra from UNL will be attending this trial and the dryland trial tour that will take place at 1:30 pm on June 23, at the Herb Mattson farm.

There will be no tour of the Stateline trial this year (on the Nebraska side of the state line this crop year) due to poor stand.

We will be sending out reminders of the tour about one week prior to the tour. You may also contact Jim regarding the tour, and dates for tours in the Nebraska Panhandle at 307-837-2000.

Commission & Grower Board to Meet June 7

The Wyoming Wheat Marketing Commission will hold a regular business meeting beginning at 9 am on June 7, 2011, at the Wyoming Department of Agriculture large conference room. The Commission will be considering contracts for the upcoming fiscal year, among other items.

The Board of Directors of the Wyoming Wheat Growers Association will be meeting later that day, beginning at 7 pm, also in Cheyenne, at Sanford's Grill.

Look for full agendas for both meetings in the May issue of [The Sheaf](#).

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