

MORNING GRAIN COMMENTARY

Morning Trends:
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as of 5:00 AM CST
Corn 3 to 5 higher
Wheat 25 to 27 higher
Soybeans 14 to 16 higher
Soy Meal 3.5 to 4.0 higher
Soy Oil 55 to 60 higher

The Stories of the Day:
Russian Invasion: US tested hypersonic missile in mid-March but kept it quiet to avoid escalating tensions with Russia (msn.com) Live updates Italy expels 30 Russian diplomats (msn.com) China-Ukraine Diplomats' Call Signals Xi May Finally Speak With Zelenskiy (msn.com) Russia-Ukraine live updates: Zelensky to address U.N. Security Council; Red Cross evacuation team released (msn.com) US cracks down on Russian debt payments, latest sovereign payments halted (msn.com)
Covid Update: Yes, you can get a second COVID-19 booster shot, but should you? (yahoo.com)
Speaking of China: A wary China keeps its distance from Putin the gambler Financial Times (ft.com)
Speaking of Kazakhstan British politicians and business people praise Kazakhstan's efforts in implementing political reforms (inform.kz)
Pakistan in Crisis Pakistan's top court resumes hearing on PM Khan's bid to stay on Reuters Pakistan's Imran Khan is fighting to hold on to power. Here's what happens next (msn.com)

Short Range Weather: A multi-day severe weather threat continues the next three days for a large chunk of the U.S. from two separate weather systems. For Tuesday, severe storms with a swath of damaging winds and strong tornadoes are likely across the central Gulf Coast states and in parts of the Southeast. Then on Wednesday, the Southeastern quadrant of the U.S. will once again see another round of severe storms -NWS

Long Range: There is a disturbance in the Southeast, a larger trough moving into the Plains, and another trough to watch in the North Pacific. The main low currently crossing the U.S. will continue to slowly move eastward this week. The North Pacific trough will move into the West this weekend while a ridge will replace the eastern trough. This will setup a storm track from the Southwest to the Northeast for next week. The U.S. and European models are similar through the period but differ on how those systems develop next week. I will use a blend but favor the European with differences. For the outlook period, temperatures on Sunday will be near to above normal in the Central U.S. and near to below normal on both coasts. As warmer temperatures shift into the East, they will fall in the West. A few systems will pass along the resulting transition zone, with their tracks bisecting the U.S. from the Southwest to the Northeast, resulting in widespread precipitation and severe weather hazards outside of the southwestern Plains. -DTN

NORTHERN PLAINS (WHEAT/LIVESTOCK): A somewhat larger system will slowly pinwheel through the region over the next few days, offering chances for more widespread precipitation. A larger pool of cold air building in the West this weekend may be the cause of some more beneficial precipitation next week, likely in the form of some heavy snow. This will be accompanied by colder temperatures for several days. -DTN

CENTRAL/SOUTHERN PLAINS (CORN/SOYBEANS/LIVESTOCK/WINTER WHEAT): Scattered moderate to locally heavy showers moved across southeast Oklahoma and northeast Texas on Monday. A system that moves through on Tuesday will not provide much precipitation as the drought continues to have a negative impact on wheat. A pool of colder air moving into the West this weekend could provide northern and eastern areas with better chances for precipitation next week, but southwestern areas are more likely to be missed. -DTN

MIDWEST (CORN/SOYBEANS/WINTER WHEAT): Isolated to scattered showers moved through the region over the weekend and Monday, hitting remaining drought areas in the northwest more than elsewhere in the region, a highly beneficial scenario for most areas. Another system will pinwheel slowly across the region through Friday. Colder air will move through with this system, which will slow the warming of soils. A larger pool of cold air building in the West this weekend may be the cause of some more precipitation next week and will be followed by colder air as well. -DTN

DELTA (SOYBEANS/COTTON): Scattered showers are moving through on Tuesday with more expected to develop along a front for Wednesday. This will help drought areas in the south, while keeping soils wet across the north. A larger pool of cold air building in the West this weekend may be the cause of some more showers and thunderstorms next week. -DTN

PACIFIC NORTHWEST (WINTER WHEAT): Scattered showers moved through on Monday, maintaining soil moisture in drought areas. A larger pool of cold air building in the West this weekend may be the cause of some more beneficial precipitation next week. -DTN

BRAZIL (CORN): Isolated showers will remain in central areas over the next week, but many areas may remain completely dry, drawing soil moisture out when it should be being built up. Safrinha corn will be able to use the available moisture, but this will leave the region more vulnerable if showers do not return before the end of the wet season. More persistent showers will continue through this next week across the south. These areas have had improving soil moisture conditions for early safrinha corn growth, which is favorable. -DTN

ARGENTINA (CORN/SOYBEANS): Outside of far northern areas, drier conditions are expected through Thursday, with a chance for spotty showers Friday into next week. Rainfall will generally be light and not much help for filling corn and soybeans. -DTN

CANADIAN PRAIRIES (LIVESTOCK): A system will move through with some light precipitation for most areas this week, but most of the region remains in drought. Temperatures will bounce around a bit this week, but a pool of colder air will settle into the region Sunday through next week. This may allow for some better precipitation amounts if the storm track can move far enough north, though likely in the form of snow. -DTN

EUROPE (WINTER WHEAT): Precipitation last week was favorable for drier areas in the west and south. The storm track will remain active for the next week, with the focus more over northern areas. This will favor winter wheat coming out of dormancy across the north and developing wheat in the south. -DTN

BLACK SEA (WINTER WHEAT): Scattered showers moved through over the weekend, adding to the good precipitation over the winter and favoring wheat that is slowly coming out of dormancy. Though precipitation will be less common this week, a few more chances come by the weekend. -DTN

NORTH AFRICA (WINTER WHEAT): Recent showers have improved soil moisture, but it may be too late for most of the crop. Showers will continue to be in the area through the middle of the week before going on a drier stretch again. -DTN

Headlines:

> Malaysian June Palm Oil Market up 218 Ringgits

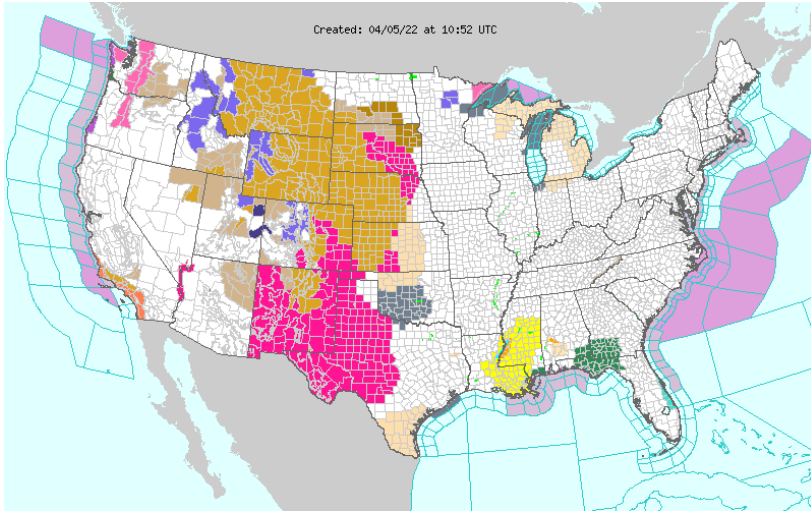
> Dalian Futures markets closed for national holiday May Corn to the Yuan, July Soybeans, May Meal, May Bean Oil, May Palm Oil

> Asian Equity Markets, were mixed, Japan's Nikkei up .2%, China's Shanghai closed for tomb sweeping

- > European Equity Markets are mixed to lower German Dax down .1%, London FTSE 100 down .1%
- > MATIF Markets are higher Aug Corn up 2.50 to the Euro, Aug Rapeseed up 9.25, May Wheat up 5.25
- > Save the Date...April 7th...Opening Day MLB
- > Save the Date...April 8th...USDA S&Ds... Average trade guess with USDA march numbers for US and World Carryouts US wheat 656 average Guess/653 MBU USDA, corn 1415/1.440 BBU, beans 262/285 MBU...world wheat 281.51/281.41 MMT, corn 300.97/300.91 MMT, beans 89.96/88.79 MMT...Argentina Production corn 52.04/53.0 MMT, beans 42.83/43.50 MMT...Brazil 115.09/114.00, beans 125.14/127.00 MMT
- > Save the Date...April 15th...NOPA Crush
- > Save the Date...May 4th...FOMC meeting results
- > Save the Date...May 6th...US Job Numbers
- > Save the Date...May 8th...US Mother's Day
- > Save the Date...May 16th...NOPA Crush
- > Save the Date...May 26th...US 1Q GDP
- > Pay Me My Money Down [Argentina's grain transporters call for strike amid fuel shortage | Reuters](#)
- > Bird Flu: 22 million and counting [Bird Flu Has Led to Over 22M Chickens, Turkeys Being Culled in U.S. \(msn.com\)](#)
- > Locust [WC seeks to have locust problem declared a national disaster \(ewn.co.za\)](#)
- > FAW [Biological control getting closer to being a field crop reality 04 April 2022 Free \(farmersjournal.ie\)](#)
- > ASF all quiet today
- > Weekly crop ratings pegged the winter wheat at second worst all time to get started 30% good/excellent...spring wheat at 3% and corn 3% planted

Commentary: Weekly crop ratings pegged the winter wheat at second worst to get started, only 30% good/excellent. Now has weather warms we do expect that SRW ratings will improve. But when one looks at the HRW ratings with the weather ahead...well let's just say we have entered the Will Robinson Zone...has in "Danger Will Robinson Danger." If you look down at the NWS map with the wind and fire danger flags flying next week's HRW ratings are not going to get any better. And of course, all of this is being viewed through lens of food inflation in Russia and the Ukraine war. No wonder board values are on a burner to the upside. That said, while the rally is impressive right now it is nothing more than a bounce off recent lows. Technically WK needs to get back about 11-dollars before chart momentum flips back higher.

The winds of April???



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