

MORNING GRAIN COMMENTARY

Morning Trends:
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as of 5:00 AM CST
Corn 1 to 3 higher
Wheat 1 to 3 higher
Soybeans 1 to 3 lower
Soy Meal .5 to 1.0 lower
Soy Oil 30 to 35 lower

Short Range Weather: Severe thunderstorms are forecast Tuesday along the Ohio River Valley, Wednesday in the southern Plains, and Thursday in the lower Mississippi River Valley. Critical fire weather conditions will persist across parts of New Mexico, west Texas, southern Colorado, and northeast Arizona through Wednesday, then again on Sunday.-NWS

Long Range: There is a trough in the Midwest, another in the central Rockies that moved in from the

Pacific Northwest, and a trough in the Gulf of Alaska. The first two systems will move eastward this week while the deeper trough moves into the West from the Eastern Pacific this weekend. That system will weaken or turn into multiple pieces next week while a ridge builds across the eastern half of the country. The U.S. and European models are mostly similar with the overall pattern, but next week the GFS brings the western trough more into the Plains while the European holds it back. I will use a blend but favor the European. For the outlook period, temperatures on Sunday will be near to below normal in the East, above normal in the Central, and falling below normal in the Pacific Northwest. Temperatures will rise in the East while falling in the West going into next week. The western trough will bring a system or series of systems through the West and Plains over the weekend into next week. It remains unclear how far east these systems will travel next week or how scattered showers will develop with these systems. -DTN

NORTHERN PLAINS (WHEAT/LIVESTOCK/CORN/SOYBEANS): A couple of systems will pass by to the south this week, leaving the region mostly dry. Warmer temperatures will move in by the weekend, allowing for a limited chance at planting this week. A system moving into the West this weekend will bring several days of scattered showers back through the region, however. -DTN

CENTRAL/SOUTHERN PLAINS (CORN/SOYBEANS/LIVESTOCK/WINTER WHEAT): Showers tracked through the region Monday. Another system may bring similar rainfall to much of the region on Wednesday into Thursday. Drought areas have their best chance for precipitation in weeks, but drought is incredibly deep in this

The Stories of the Day:

Russian Invasion: [Russia plans to annex large parts of eastern Ukraine, warns U.S. official \(msn.com\)](#) [Pope says he wants to go to Moscow to meet Putin over Ukraine - paper \(msn.com\)](#) [Photos appear to show Putin's top propagandist at 5-star Dubai resort hours after threatening a nuclear strike on the UK \(msn.com\)](#) [Push to arm Ukraine putting strain on US weapons stockpile \(msn.com\)](#) [Russia Lectures Israel About Holocaust, Defends Saying Hitler Was Jewish \(msn.com\)](#)

Russia's number one ally feeling the pressure [The war in Ukraine boosts Belarusian opposition \(msn.com\)](#)

Covid Update: Covid 1 China 0 [Horror in Shanghai as elderly man taken to morgue in body bag while still alive \(msn.com\)](#)

Speaking of health...what about Mr. Putin's...this story was in the London based Sun on April 30th...but it is starting to pick up steam in more major media outlets [Report: Putin faces cancer surgery; his temporary fill in won't 'do anything rash' \(msn.com\)](#)

Shanghai Port [The Shanghai cargo congestion could bring down the world economy \(msn.com\)](#)

Wow [Trump rally frustrates O'Sullivan bid for seventh snooker world title \(msn.com\)](#) oh wait, wrong trump

area and will take massive amounts of rain over a long time to get the region out. More showers may be possible over the weekend going into next week, which may also offer some limited benefits. -DTN

MIDWEST (CORN/SOYBEANS/WINTER WHEAT): A system brings widespread rainfall through the region Tuesday. After a dry Wednesday another system will bring more widespread rainfall Thursday and Friday. The systems clip far southern Minnesota but otherwise miss much of that state. Planting windows continue to be short and brief. A system building in the Plains this weekend may move through the region next week. -DTN

DELTA (SOYBEANS/COTTON): Two more frontal systems will bring pockets of moderate showers this week. Some areas that are too wet will stay wet, while other areas may get a break or needed precipitation. Overall though, planting progress is likely to be a little slower through this week. A system that develops in the Plains this weekend may move through next week. -DTN

PACIFIC NORTHWEST (WHEAT): A couple more systems will move through this week and weekend with more widespread showers. Temperatures will waffle up and down over the next couple of weeks, which may cause some slower growth for wheat. -DTN

BRAZIL (CORN): Scattered showers fell over a portion of the southern areas Monday. Central Brazil continues to miss out on rainfall, which is leading to critical levels of soil moisture for corn that is going through pollination and grain-fill. A front across the south will move north through the region this week, but showers will largely dissolve as they move into central Brazil, as worries continue for the rest of the season. -DTN

ARGENTINA (CORN/SOYBEANS/WHEAT): Showers will move north into Paraguay Tuesday, with dryness continuing elsewhere. Soil moisture is improved for wheat planting and early development, but more will be needed before winter sets in. Precipitation is too late to offer any help for corn and soybeans as harvest continues to progress. -DTN

CANADIAN PRAIRIES (LIVESTOCK/WHEAT/CANOLA): Eastern areas are very wet and will be difficult to do any planting for a while as soils drain. Western areas are drier than optimal with very little sweet spots for planting this spring. A system this weekend into next week will offer better precipitation for western areas, which would help with planting, while adding on to eastern areas that are too wet. -DTN

EUROPE (WINTER WHEAT/CORN): Limited showers will continue to be the case throughout the week, leaving northern areas dry. More showers are needed across northern areas as they have turned drier recently. Scattered showers over France and Italy should help some areas that are a bit too dry, while missing others, offering mixed conditions for most other areas this week. -DTN

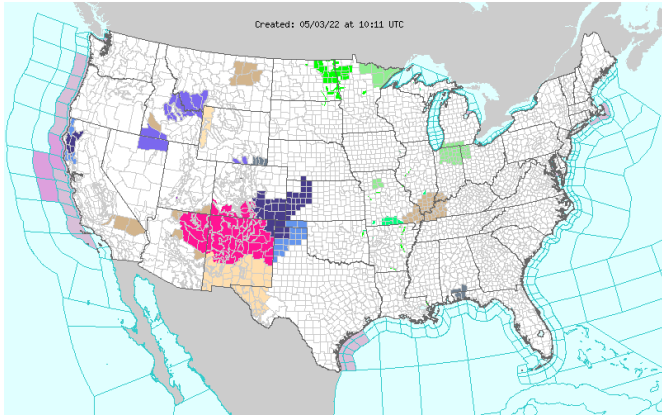
BLACK SEA (WINTER WHEAT/CORN): While some isolated showers may move through this week, dryness is likely to be more widespread. Conditions are improved for corn planting. Soil moisture for wheat development is still rather good, but more would be preferred. -DTN

Headlines:

- > Malaysian July Palm Oil Market XX Ringgits
- > Dalian Futures markets were closed Sept Corn XX to the Yuan, July Soybeans XX, Sept Meal XX, Sept Bean Oil XX, Sept Palm Oil up XX
- > Asian Equity Markets, the ones that were open mixed to lower Japan's Nikkei down XX, China's Shanghai XX%
- > European Equity Markets are mixed, German Dax up .4%, London FTSE 100 down .4%
- > MATIF Markets are unchanged to higher Aug Corn down unchanged to the Euro, Aug Rapeseed unchanged, Sept Wheat up 3.75

- > Save the Dates...Japanese Holidays...May 3rd Constitution Day, May 4th Greenery Day, May 5th Children's Day
- > Save the Date May 4th...China Youth Day
- > Save the Date...May 4th...FOMC meeting results
- > Save the Date...May 5th...OPEC Meeting...OPEC+ is likely to stick to its existing deal and agree another small output increase for June when it meets on May 5 -Reuters
- > Save the Date...May 6th...US Job Numbers
- > Save the Date...May 8th...US Mother's Day
- > Save the Date...May 9th...Victory Day is celebrated in Russia...On that day in 1945 Nazi Germany announced its capitulation to the Soviet Union...will Putin have a victory in E. Ukraine by this date or is the date he declares war in Ukraine
- > Save the Date...May 11th...US CPI
- > Save the Date...May 12th...USDA S&Ds
- > Save the Date...May 15th...North America Lunar Eclipse [Get ready for a total lunar eclipse, Chicago. Here's where you can view it \(msn.com\)](#)
- > Pay Me My Money Down: Greek Style [Greece increases minimum wage, battling inflation and social unrest \(lemonde.fr\)](#)
- > Bird Flu: OK Style [Avian flu found in Oklahoma flock, 13,800 chickens destroyed \(nwaonline.com\)](#)
- > Locust/ASF/FAW all quiet today
- > CME is reporting that 159 Chicago wheat and 13 KW were put out for delivery, 0 for corn, beans, meal, and oil...talk that recent spring wheat that has been brought into Chicago delivery points has falling rates below 150...say hello to VSR
- > India Heat Wave [Heat wave sparks blackouts, questions on India's coal usage | AP News](#)
- > New Zealand Volcano [New Zealand's Mount Ruapehu shows increased volcanic activity \(msn.com\)](#)
- > USDA on Monday found that 27% of the winter wheat crop is good to excellent, that 19% of the US Spring wheat crop has been planted, 14% of the US corn Crop, and 8% of the US bean crop has been planted

Commentary: The rest of this week the Ag markets, like the macro markets, will be digesting the latest FOMC meeting results and notes. The FOMC meeting results will start flowing out to the public Wednesday at 1:00 PM CDT. These results will have direct impact on the ability of the dollar to continue its march higher. That said of more importance for the Ag markets is the looming May 12th USDA numbers. Given last night's USDA weekly crop updates that showed that US spring crops are going in at a nearly historical slow pace the markets in this era of reduced Black Sea grain flows will remain sensitive to any lost production. This means all eyes are turning back to how the Brazilian corn crop will finish. AgResource drew some headlines late last week as they took their Brazilian corn estimate down to around 108.0 MMT vs. the current USDA number of 116.0 MMT. This low number has gained a new believer in Doctor Cordonnier who last night pegged the Brazilian corn number at 107.0 MMT. It is clear to us that until the N. Hemisphere spring planted crops are in the bins, board breaks will be shallow in nature.



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