

## Corn and Grain Sorghum Weekly Update – April 27, 2018

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### Corn and Grain Sorghum Research Verification – Chuck Capps (Corn & GS Verification Coordinator)

The Corn Research Verification Program Fields are progressing well with the warmer temperatures over the past week. Mississippi County Field has not been planted and will hopefully get the grain sorghum planted in Cross County this coming week.

County	Planting Date	Crop Stage	Crop Update
Clay	4-11-18		We have had some cold temps since planting, but corn should be completely emerged as of this weekend.
Jackson	4-10-18	Emerged	Emerged April 26, 2018
Prairie	3-21-18	V2	Progressing nicely since being knocked back some by the freeze. Very good stand with 33,800 plants per acre.
Desha	3-20-18	V3	Also progressing well after being hit with a freeze. Stand count is good 30,500. Getting close to herbicide application next week possibly.
Jefferson	4-19-18		Seed is sprouting and will hopefully emerge next week.
Arkansas	4-20-18		Very similar to Jefferson County.
Chicot	4-21-18		Planted into stale seed bed and starting to sprout when scouted on 4-25-18.

### River Valley Update – Kevin VanPelt (Conway County)

The rains were beneficial for fields planted in the River Valley a couple of weeks ago that had crusted over some and not emerged yet. The stands of corn coming up this week look good. There were no substantially heavy rains that should hurt what was planted last week and should be coming up in the next few days. It just needs to dry up enough for a day or so to finish planting the few hundred acres left.

### Central Update – Brett Gordon (Woodruff County)

Last weekend, many producers were busy planting corn trying to finish up for the year. I saw a couple of planters running yesterday (4-25) on what few fields were dry enough to work. I've gotten reports of some early corn being replanted due to uneven stands. Despite cool weather, several fields have now emerged and look yellow. Pre-plant herbicides are starting to lose activity as many fields are becoming infested with weeds. We need warm and dry weather.

**North East Update – Stewart Runsick (Clay County)**

Corn is just now starting to emerge. There hasn't been any planting this week due to rainfall. Corn planting should finish up next week. We need some warm weather.