

Corn and Grain Sorghum Weekly Update – May 11, 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 this week. All could use a rain. Both Grain Sorghum Research Verification Program Fields have emerged and Arkansas County received enough rainfall for pre-emerge herbicide to be activated.

County	Crop	Planting Date	Crop Stage	Crop Update
Clay	Corn	4-11-18	V2	Field took a while to emerge and start growing due to cold wet spell after planting. Warm temperatures are welcome and it is starting to grow.
Jackson	Corn	4-10-18	V2-3	Corn is growing well but pre-emerge is starting to play out. We will apply herbicides prior to next rain along with nitrogen.
Prairie	Corn	3-21-18	V5	Will apply herbicide application and nitrogen in the next week.
Desha	Corn	3-20-18	V6	Mid-season nitrogen applied and plowed in earlier this week followed by Halex GT and Atrazine applied.
Jefferson	Corn	4-19-18	V2	31,900 plants per acre and about 4-5" tall.
Arkansas	Corn	4-20-18	V2	Came up to great stand of 35,000 and about 4" tall currently.
Chicot	Corn	4-21-18	V2	28,400 plants per acre. Crusting resulted in about 10% of plants being caught trying to emerge.
Cross	GS	5-3-18	Emerged	Called emergence 5-10-18. Currently clean and pre-emerge applied right behind planter.
Arkansas	GS	5-1-18	Emerged	Called emergence 5-9-18. It is also pretty weed free and received almost ½ inch of rain, so pre-emerge should be activated.

River Valley Update – Kevin VanPelt (Conway County)

The corn crop in the River Valley has responded well to the warmer weather and looking much better. Producers have been applying herbicides and getting the sidedress nitrogen applications put out.

North East Update – Stewart Runsick (Clay County)

Corn planting is all but done in Clay County. A few replants are going on. Some acres failed and went to beans. Corn ranges from emerging to 4-5 leaf. There was some ammonium sulfate applications made this week. We missed the rain. Herbicide decisions will be made soon followed by irrigations.