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Comments:

4.29.08 - "Most all growers are trying to time their water for last irrigation. The crop continues to look promising. The potential effects of last week's cold temperatures are yet to be determined. I attended a wheat and forage crops field day today. Previous field days have only attracted a small group, however with wheat coming back into the crop mix there is more grower interest and grower attendance has grown." *Mark McKean, grower, Fresno County*

4.30.08 - "I have cut off the irrigation water on most of my early planted fields. It looks like my first field will be ready to harvest the

first of next week. Cooler weather the next few days will delay the harvest a little. Everyone is a little concerned on how the harvest will progress with the large increase in acreage this year. Later planted fields look OK. Fields watered before the 15th of February do seem to have a good yield potential. After that date I see a significant drop off in yield potential." *Roy Motter, grower, Imperial Valley*

5.01.08 - "Fortunately stripe rust has occurred in only a few fields in Glenn, Butte, and Tehama Counties this year. I have seen only one field with severe stripe rust infection this year. It is a Summit (susceptible variety) field where I have a fungicide trial evaluating four different fungicides with and without the addition of two kinds of nitrogen fertilizer. We have some very interesting visual responses, but we will have to wait for the grain quality testing to see if the grain protein has been raised by the foliar nitrogen." *Doug Munier, Glenn County Farm Advisor*

Notices:

New Executive Director Robert Falconer is now onboard with the California Wheat Commission. His direct e-mail address is rfalconer@californiawheat.org.

