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5.27.09 – “Spring wheat seeding is complete. The spring has been relatively cool and windy resulting in slow emergence. The recent warm up has greatly improved the crop and irrigation is beginning. A good rain would be welcome although historically unlikely. Crop stages are varied with the mid April plantings beginning to tiller to fields just emerging. So, as the rest of California is gearing up for harvest, we in the far north state are gearing up to grow it.”

J.W. Cope, Winema Elevators Inc., Tullake, CA

In response to a question received from an agricultural news reporter who observed a field that had lodged in the Sacramento Valley:

5.28.09 – “I went and looked at the field in question. It’s in an area that holds water much longer than most. I observed earlier in the year that there was standing water out there. Probably due to the low elevation there.

Lodging has not been a factor for most of our entries. There are some entries that we grew that were excessively tall that lodged, but overall, lodging has not been a problem with any of our trials.”

Phil Mayo, SRA, Small Grains, Department of Plant Sciences, University of California, Davis

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