

CWC Wheat Bulletin

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Comments

3.26.09 – "This week I'm seeing several wheat fields showing a strong stripe rust resistant reaction (yellow speckling on the most recently fully expanded leaf and the next leaf older). Fortunately there has been no infection with spore production." *Doug Munier, Glenn County Farm Advisor*

3.26.09 – "The weather premium that was built into the wheat market is now gone with rain and snow hitting the HRW country in

the central US this week. Wheat should be stable here do to the fact that feed wheat is the same price of corn which will limit the downside of wheat. USDA planting intentions report mid next week should give us the next direction of grains. Producers may want to lock in 25% of their 2010 crop at these levels which are still over 6.00 per bu. Our wheat here on a whole looks very good. Nitrogen application during anthesis or heading will be very important for growers coming up." Jason Nearn, Penny-Newman Grain Co., Fresno CA

3.26.09 - "Water still seems to be the predominant issue in the status of the wheat crop in the Central San Joaquin Valley. The low milk price and the question of the ability of dairies to pay for feed has brought us some growers to take wheat for grain as well. Early planted wheat with heads fully exposed has suffered some frost damage that is showing up this week. Loss totals should be less than 10% in most instances. Fertilization continues as the crop ranges from early boot to anthesis." Geoff Schulz Penny-Newman Grain Company, Fresno CA

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