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Comments:

6.3.09 - "Cooler weather has slowed the drying process in the Central San Joaquin Valley as most wheat is still a week to two weeks away from being able to start harvest. We are seeing an average of around 13% on all wheat received thus far with a fair amount of variability. Yields are looking good so far with the highest yielding fields still maturing. Forecasts are calling for thunderstorms throughout the growing region for the end of the week and weekend. Rainfall should be sporadic, and hopefully not enough to cause any major sprouting damage or incidents of black tip on durum wheat." *Geoff Schulz, Penny-Newman Grain Company, Fresno CA*

Other:

Karnal Bunt Survey Concludes

The USDA/CDFR Karnal Bunt survey has concluded for the year in the Blythe area with no positive detections. The sampling included 30 fields and 1280 acres of wheat. This makes five years of sampling without a positive find and should allow some fields to be deregulated. There are tillage requirements that need to be met however to allow deregulation on the total area.

FSA Nominations to Open June 15

David Schaad, Acting Executive Director for USDA's Farm Service Agency in California has announced farmer and rancher candidate nominations begin June 15 for local Farm Service Agency (FSA) county committees. The nomination period continues through Aug. 3, 2009 and elections take place this fall. The form and other valuable information about FSA county committee elections are available online at:

<http://www.fsa.usda.gov/FSA/webapp?area=newsroom&subject=landing&topic=cce>

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