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Comments

2.19.09 – “Yolo, Solano Sacramento County Wheat Conditions – February 19, 2009
What a difference an inch of rain makes. With today’s warm sunny weather our wheat crop is taking off. The 6 inch plant height difference between wheat planted late October and early November , just after the first rain, and the mid to late November plantings is slowly starting to disappear. Every variety looks great at this point, no foliar diseases showing in my area. I am seeing early ladybeetle activity so I know there are a few aphids around. I expect to start seeing some barley yellow dwarf in the next week or so. Weather is great for both the plants and stripe rust. Please keep your

eyes open and let folks know if you see any symptoms. Good Luck!” *Kent L. Brittan, Yolo, Solano and Sacramento County Farm Advisor.*

2.19.09 - “Recent rain has been helpful, though there was less accumulation than originally expected in some areas. Many fields are showing signs of nitrogen deficiency as fertilizer applications are occurring at this time. It is generally a good looking crop in these early stages.” *Geoff Schulz Penny-Newman Grain Company, Fresno CA*

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