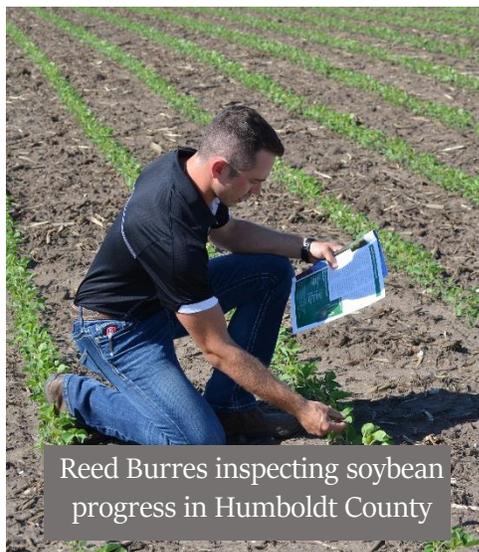


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Introduction

Just like a rocket, we're off! In this inaugural newsletter I would like to thank everyone that has helped us during the launch of our social media pages and website. It is truly a blessing to feel all of the community wide support while we here at AgriPeril continue to grow and expand our reaches beyond North Central Iowa. With this being my first true year to experience the unpredictability of not only the weather, but markets as well I've drawn one distinct conclusion. Those just getting into agriculture now, if they can weather the storm now, will be able to make it long term, given they practice modesty and live within the means of their operation. I look back at the 1980's where many operations had it SIGNIFICANTLY worse than today and feel that today is the perfect time to get involved within agriculture. Apart from the young producer's just getting involved with agriculture, I feel that the 2018 growing season has been a year that many already are wanting to put behind them, which is never a good sign in early June.....

Quick Preview

AgriPeril is live! Thanks for reading our first newsletter.

Drought conditions are worsening, but La Niña has not emerged.

Crop progress is good, limiting prevent plant across most of Iowa.

NAFTA, trade talks, tariffs, and rejected RFS changes; what they mean for the market.

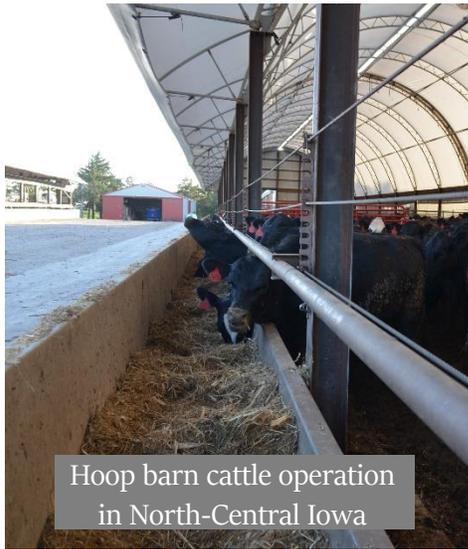
Stay tuned for future announcements and news impacting the farm sector.

Drought & La Niña

All emotions aside, if we look at the US Drought Monitor's most recent drought map, we will see that during late May, the areas needing rainfall slightly expanded. In this first week of June we have seen some relief, however only limited areas have received rainfall that has been substantial enough to alleviate longer term drought conditions. There have been numerous speculations that we may encounter another La Niña. Currently, we have not seen the abnormally warm ocean temperatures off of the coast of Hawaii, the pressure in the Gulf of Alaska as well as Bermuda have been consistent with moderately normal weather patterns. Mainly, the amount of Southern Oscillation, which is the "SO" when referring to ENSO, has been fairly consistent with what many would consider a normal year, apart for some slight differences, nothing major worth considering in my opinion.



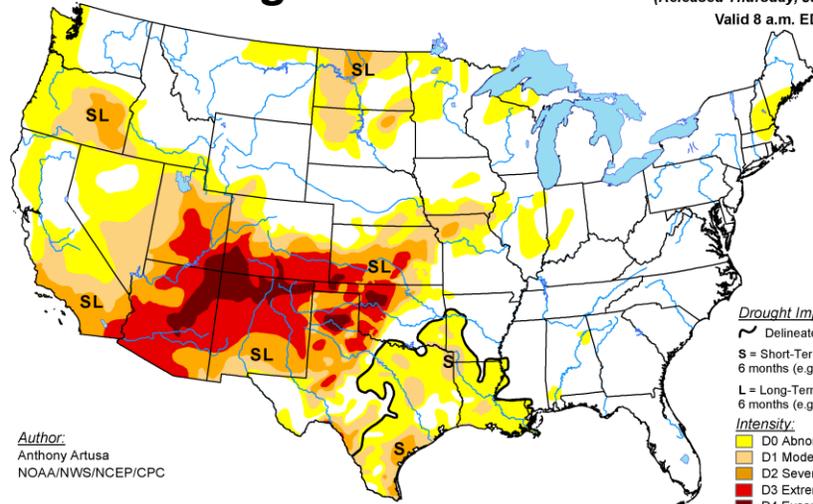
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Hoop barn cattle operation in North-Central Iowa

U.S. Drought Monitor

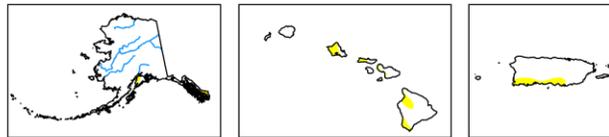
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Drought Impact Types:
~ Delineates dominant impacts
S = Short-Term, typically less than 6 months (e.g. agriculture, grasslands)
L = Long-Term, typically greater than 6 months (e.g. hydrology, ecology)
Intensity:
D0 Abnormally Dry
D1 Moderate Drought
D2 Severe Drought
D3 Extreme Drought
D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.



This drought monitor map shows worsening drought conditions for parts of the Midwest and Great Plains.

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It has been a wet planting and spraying season for some farmers

Crop Progress & Prevent Plant

Shifting focus slightly, the weather has played a large role as of late in helping many producers across the North Central part of Iowa wrap up their #Plant2018 and get started with spraying! With several a few additional days to get crops planted, the crop progress reports have reflected that corn and soybeans across Iowa and the Cornbelt are off to a great start! With this being the case, the talks of prevent plant corn and soybeans being a possibility for a majority of farmers has been thrown out, however, will still remain a possibility in isolated areas across the state. June 26th is the first day that you may take prevent plant corn and plant soybeans, whereas July 10th is the first day that you may take prevent plant soybeans. If you ever have any insurance based questions feel free to reach out me to at: reed@agriperil.com or www.agriperil.com



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The G7 Summit on June 8th & 9th will surely impact the Ag markets

Factors Affecting the Futures Market

Given that in the past week, we have went from around \$3.80 cash new crop corn to back to near 3 month lows in both old and new crop corn, we are seeing that the markets are becoming increasingly reactive to the different news that is coming to the surface. Most recent market pressure has come as a result of continued trade talks in conjunction with President Trump voting down the most recent version of the RFS. Looking to the future, we could see additional retaliatory measures imposed by other countries that have been impacted as a result of trade tariffs put in place. With regards to NAFTA we should be inching closer to an agreement and potential resolution, however, if not, expect to see the markets adjust and life to go on for producers and industries affected. Soybeans are currently experiencing lows that we haven't seen a month. Wheat is currently working on battling back from losses over the past week. This upcoming week I'll be making a trip to Nebraska to check out both irrigated and dry land corn and then following it up by making a trip down to Kansas and Oklahoma to check up on wheat crop conditions firsthand.

Insurance Calendar

June 10th – Corn Practical Replant

June 15th – Soybean Final Replant Date for Full Coverage

June 26th – Prevent Plant Opens for Corn

July 10th – Prevent Plant Opens for Soybeans

Closing Remarks

All in all, it has been a jam packed past three weeks with many twists and turns. Now is not the time to let the ag news go to the wayside, as with upcoming Crop Progress reports and the Acreage and Grain Stocks report coming out on June 29th, we can expect to see sustained “excitement” in the grain market. Stay up to speed by connecting with us on Facebook (AgriPeril Insurance and Risk Management) and on Twitter (@agriperil) to see all of our market reports and commentary when they hit the press!

All the best,

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