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## **Weather Summary**

Temperatures cooled from the previous week's record highs, but still averaged a few degrees above normal. Las Vegas had a high of 99 degrees and Ely had a low of 14 degrees. The West and the South had weather permitting forage and crop growth, but the North and East remained too cold. Light rains fell across the middle of the State amidst breezy conditions. Reno was the only station recording measurable precipitation and that was only .01 inch. Mountain snow packs continued to recede and some streams and ponds were drying up.

## Field Crops Summary

Days suitable for fieldwork: 7. Spring grain planting continued and irrigation was underway on crops in the West and South. Onion seeding continued and corn planting was beginning in warmer regions. The outlook for irrigation water supplies, particularly surface supplies, was dour. Lovelock Valleys are expecting only a small fraction of normal water allotments and the Smith and Mason valleys are anticipating fewer cuttings of alfalfa hay. Calving and lambing were well along. Livestock producers continued to supply supplemental hay to eastern herds and some stock movement to springs and summer ranges was beginning in the West. Main farm and ranch activities included field preparation, spring planting, irrigating, fertilizing, weed control and working livestock.

Weather data for stations in Nevada for Week Ending May 5, 2013

Station	High	Low	Avg.	Departure from Normal	Precipitation
Reno	83	41	60	5	0.01
Elko	74	21	50	1	Trace
Ely	77	18	48	1	Trace
Winnemucca	78	23	53	2	Trace
Eureka	77	14	48	0	0.00
Tonopah	83	32	57	3	0.00
Las Vegas	99	58	77	4	0.00