Farm Market Report

Hay Market Reports

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Hay prices are dollars per ton or dollars per bale when sold to retail outlets. Basis is current delivery FOB barn or stack, or delivered customer as indicated.

Grade guidelines used in this report have the following relationship to Relative Feed Value (RFV), Acid Detergent Fiber (ADF) TDN (Total Digestible Nutrients), or Crude Protein (CP) test num-

pers:								
Grade	RFV	ADF	TDN	CP				
Supreme	185+	<27	55.9+	22+				
Premium	170-185	27-29	54.5-55.9	20-22				
Good	150-170	29-32	52.5-54.5	18-20				
Fair	130-150	32-35	50.5-52.5	16-18				
Utility	<130	36+	<50.5	<16				
OREGON AREA HAY								
(USDA Market News)								
Portland, Ore.								
July 15								

This week FOB

unless otherwise stated.

Small Square

6.827 5,212 Compared to July 8: Prices trended generally steady compared to week-ago prices. Most demand lays with the retail/stable hay. Many hay producers are selling or have already sold most of their first cutting hay, and are working on second cutting resulting in higher volumes of hay moving. All prices are in dollars per ton and FOB

Tons CROOK, DESCHUTES, JEFFERSON, WASCO COUNTIES Alfalfa Small Square Premium \$230 43 **Orchard Grass Small Square** \$240-250 Premium Orchard/Brome Grass Small Square Good 25 \$200 Mixed Grass Small Square Premium Orchard/Bluegrass 35 \$230 Small Square Premium Small Square Premium 6 \$250 EASTERN OREGON 250 Alfalfa Large Square \$155 Fair 300 \$100 Small Square Fair Timothy Grass Large Square HARNEY COUNTY Timothy Grass Large Square 2200 \$200 Premium KLAMATH BASIN Alfalfa Large Square Good 220 \$125 Mid Square Premium 90 \$135-180 100 Small Square Premium 25 \$175 Alfalfa/Orchard Mix Mid Square Premium \$200 Meadow Grass Small Square Good/Prem \$220 200 LAKE COUNTY Alfalfa Large Square \$200-225 Prem./Sup. 250 \$190

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Timothy Grass Large Square	Premium	750	\$190-200
Triticale Large Square	Fair	450	\$85
WASHINGTO	N-OREGON H	łAY	
(Colum	bia Basin)		
(USDA M	arket News)		
Moses L	ake, Wash.		

July 15 This week FOB Last week Last year Compared to July 8: All grades of export and domestic Alfalfa and export Timothy steady. Trade active this week with good demand. Bluegrass and tall fescue straw is being sold for no value as long as the buyers bale it and haul it off the fields. Retail/Feedstore steady

in a light test. Demand remains good.							
		Tons	Price				
Alfalfa Mid Square	Premium	6200	\$145-155				
	Good	3000	\$130				
	Fair/Good	1400	\$110-115				
		2000	\$90				
Alfalfa Small Square	Premium	500	\$150				
		150	\$220-250				
	Good/Prem.	300	\$165				
	Fair/Good	200	\$130				
Orchard Grass Small Square	Premium	150	\$220-230				
	Good/Prem.	200	\$195				
Timothy Grass Mid Square	Premium	8800	\$180-200				
	Good	5800	\$145-150				
Fair/Good 5800 \$125-130							
Fescue Grass Mid Square	Fair/Good	1000	Price not				
			available				
Bluegrass Straw Mid Square	Fair/Good	1000	Price not				
			available				
Wheat Straw Standing	Fair/Good	2500	\$3				
CALIFORNIA HAY							
(USDA Market News)							

Moses Lake, Wash July 15 This week FOB Last week Last year Compared to July 8: All classes traded steady. Demand moderate. Exporters remain active at current market levels. Dairymen are buying supplies needed in the short term and being very selective. Inter-Mountain prices are current movement prices and winter take out price is usually \$10 over the current price.

REGION 1: NORTHERN INTERMOUNTAIN Includes the counties of Siskiyou, Modoc, Shasta, Lassen, and Plumas Supreme Prem./Sup. 300 \$160 \$130-150 1020 Premium REGION 2: SACRAMENTO VALLEY

Includes the counties of Tehama, Glenn, Butte, Colusa, Sutter Yuba, Sierra, Nevada, Placer, Yolo, El Dorado, Solano, Sacramento 100 \$180 Good \$140 1330

Rice Bran	Good	75	\$118	
Almond Hulls	Good	150	\$71	
Orchard Grass	Premium	75	\$160	
Mixed Grass	Good	125	\$75	
Oat	Good	25	\$110	
Forage Mix-Three Way	Good	300	\$65-70	
Rice Straw	Good	150	\$75	
Wheat Straw	Good	250	\$50	
REGION 3: NORTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY				

Includes the counties of San Joaquin, Calaveras, Stanislaus, Tuolumne, Mono, Merced and Mariposa

Alfalfa	Supreme	400	\$230
	Prem./Sup.	1150	\$218-22
	Fair/Good	800	\$125
	Fair	50	\$130
Oat	Good	300	\$65
Wheat Straw	Good	1100	\$50
REGION 4: CENTRAL SAN J	IOAQUIN VALLEY	1	
Includes the counties of Ma	dera, Fresno, Kin	gs, Tula	re, and Iny
Alfalfa	Fair/Good	400	\$145
		100	\$200
		200	\$165
REGION 5: SOUTHERN CAL	JFORNIA		
Includes the counties of Ke	rn, Northeast Los	Angeles	s, and Wes

ern San Bernardino 25 \$200 Alfalfa Premium

Good/Prem 100 \$180-185 50 **REGION 6: SOUTHEAST CALIFORNIA** Includes the counties of Eastern San Bernardino, Riverside, and Imperial. Alfalfa Premium 400 \$165 Good/Prem Fair/Good 1100 \$130 Fair 1000 \$90 Premium Good/Prem. 2000 \$110 Good 2000 **IDAHO HAY**

(USDA Market News) Moses Lake, Wash. July 15 This week FOB Last week Last year

20,500 8,100 Compared to July 8: All grades of Alfalfa steady. Trade active this week with good demand. Retail/feed store/horse not tested this week. All prices are dollars per ton and FOB the farm or ranch

Price Alfalfa Mid Square 300 \$140 Prem./Sup. \$125 400 \$120 Premium 1200 \$125-140 Good/Prem 1100 \$95-100 \$120 Good 1000

Mixed Grass Mid Square

Grain Market Reports

Supreme

\$200

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Grains are stated in dollars per bushel or hundredweight (cwt.) except feed grains traded in dollars per ton. National grain report

CALIFORNIA GRAINS (USDA Market News) July 14

Prices in dollars per cwt., bulk Inc.= including; Nom.= nominal;

		donard por own, bank into. Intolading,		
		d; Ind.= indicated; NYE=Not fully estima	ted.	
GRAIN DELIVERED				
	Mode	Destination	Price per co	
	BARLEY -	U.S. No. 2 (46-lbs. per bushel)		
	FOB	Kern County	NA	
	Rail	Los Angeles	NA	
	Truck	Petaluma-Santa Rosa	\$9.75	
		Stockton-Modesto-Oakdale-Turlock	\$9.75	
		Kings-Tulare-Fresno Counties	\$8.70	
	CORN-U.S	S. No. 2 Yellow		
	FOB	Turlock-Tulare	\$8.26	
		Stockton-Modesto-Oakdale-Turlock	NA	
		Kings-Tulare-Fresno	\$7.75	
	Rail	Single Car Units via BNSF		
		Chino Valley-Los Angeles	\$8.60-8.62	
	Truck	Petaluma-Santa Rosa	NA	
		Stockton-Modesto-Oakdale-Turlock	\$8.57	
		Kings-Tulare-Fresno Counties	\$8.57	
	SORGHUN	/I-U.S. No. 2 Yellow		
	Rail	Los Angeles-Chino Valley		
		via BNSF Single	\$8.41-8.44	
	Truck	Modesto-Oakdale-Turlock	NA	
	OATS-U.S.	No. 1 White		
	Truck	Petaluma	\$11-11.25	
		Stockton-Modesto-Oakdale-Turlock	\$11-11.25	
	Rail	Petaluma	NA	
	WHEAT-U.	S. No. 2 or better-Hard Red Winter		
		(Domestic Values for Flour Milling)		

Los Angeles 12 percent Protein Truck/Rail Los Angeles 11-12 percent Protein Tulare-Kern-Merced WHEAT-U.S. Durum Wheat \$9.75 Truck Imperial County Kings-Tulare-Fresno Counties WHEAT-Any Class for Feed

Kern County Truck/Rail Los Angeles-Chino Valley NA Petaluma-Santa Rosa Truck NA Prices paid to California farmers, seven-day reporting period ending July 14: WHEAT, U.S. No. 1, Hard Amber Durum for Flour Milling PORTLAND GRAIN

Kings-Tulare-Fresno Counties

\$8.25

(USDA Market News) July 14

PACIFIC NORTHWEST MARKET SUMMARY

Cash wheat bids for July delivery ended the reporting week on Thursday, July 14, were higher compared to July 7 noon bids for September wheat futures ended the reporting week on Thursday,

July 14, higher as follows compared to July 7closes: Chicago wheat futures were 8.50 cents higher at \$4.34, Kansas City wheat futures were 5.50 cents higher at \$4.1775 and Minneapolis wheat futures trended 4.25 cents higher at \$5. Chicago September corn futures trended 16 cents higher at \$3.5775 and August soybean futures closed 33.25 cents higher at \$10.8375. Bids for U.S. 1 Soft White Wheat delivered to Portland in unit

trains or barges during July for ordinary protein trended 25 to 43 cents per bushel higher compared to week ago prices for the same delivery period at \$5-5.46. Some exporters were not issuing bids for nearby delivery.

over soft white wheat bids this week compared to zero cents per bushel last week. One year ago bids for U.S. 1 Soft White Wheat any protein for July

delivery by unit trains and barges to Portland were not available and bids for White Club Wheat were also not available Forward month bids for soft white wheat ordinary protein were as

follows: August New Crop and September \$5-5.36 One year ago, forward month bids for soft white wheat for any protein were as follows: August New Crop \$6.31-6.35, September not available, October and November \$6.3150-6.35.

Bids for U.S. 1 Soft White Wheat guaranteed maximum 10.5 percent protein during July trended 23.50 to 29 cents per bushel higher than week-ago prices for the same delivery period at \$5.14-5.24.

Some exporters were not issuing bids for nearby delivery. White club wheat premiums for guaranteed maximum 10.5 percent protein soft white wheat this week were zero to 10 cents per bushel over soft white wheat bids this week and last week.

One year ago bids for U.S. 1 Soft White Wheat any protein for July delivery by unit trains and barges to Portland were \$6.93-7.11 and bids for White Club Wheat were also \$6.96-7.11. Forward month bids for soft white wheat guaranteed 10.5 percent proteins were as follows: August New Crop \$5.04-5.14 and September \$5.14.

One year ago, forward month bids for soft white wheat for any protein were as follows: August New Crop \$6.96-7.16, September \$6.96-7.21, October and November \$6.9150-7.2650. Bids for 11.5 percent protein U.S. 1 Hard Red Winter Wheat for

July delivery were 21.50 to 25.50 cents per bushel higher compared to July 7 noon bids for July delivery. Some exporters were not is suing bids for nearby delivery. Bids were as follows: July \$4.8775-5.0775, August New Crop \$4.8275-5.1275, September \$4.8775-5.1275, October and November \$5.1875-5.4375

Bids for non-guaranteed 14.0 percent protein U.S. 1 Dark Northern Spring Wheat for Portland delivery during July were 4.25 cents per bushel higher than July 7 noon bids for the same delivery period Some exporters were not issuing bids for nearby delivery. Bids for non-guaranteed 14 percent protein were as follows: July \$5,75-5.95 August New Crop and September \$5.75-6, October and Nover \$6.05-6.15

COARSE FEEDING GRAINS

Bids for U.S. 2 Yellow Corn delivered full coast Pacific Northwes BN shuttle trains for July delivery were 16 to 20 cents higher from 4.5775-4.6575 per bushel. Forward month corn bids were as follows: August \$4.5775-4.6375, September \$4.6275-4.6375, October November and December \$4.6475-4.6575. Bids for U.S. 1 Yellow Soybeans delivered full coast Pacific Northwest - BN shuttle trains for July delivery were 33.25 to 36.25 cents higher from \$11.8175 11.8375 per bushel. Forward month soybean bids were as follows August \$11.8375, September 11.8525-11.8725, October and November \$11.8525-11.8725 and December \$11.71-11.81. Bids for U.S. 2 Heavy White Oats for June delivery trended 14.50 cents higher at \$3,1925 per bushel.

PACIFIC NORTHWEST EXPORT NEWS

There were eight grain vessels in Columbia River ports on Thursday. July 14, with two docked compared to eight last week with three docked. There were no new confirmed export sales from the Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) of the USDA

Potato Market Reports

Compiled by North American Potato Market News and USDA Agricultural Market Service

Prices are weekly averages of daily prices. All prices are in dollars per hundredweight (cwt.). FWA is a weighted average of shipping point prices or common packs in each area. Weights differ by area. GRI is the Grower Returns Index for each individual area.

FRESH RUSSET POTATO MARKET REPORT (North American Potato Market News) (USDA Market News) July 16

Market Commentary: Heavy shipments continue to drive Idaho count cartons down

<i>FWA</i>	Chg	GRI	Chg	70 ct	Chg	10 lb. Film	Chg
IDAHO BU	JRBANKS						
\$11.60	-\$0.37	\$4.79	-\$0.22	\$17.50	-\$0.50	\$8	\$0
COLUMBI	A BASIN						
\$13.46	-\$1.11	\$5.95	-\$0.69	\$18	-\$4	\$8.50	\$0

Sheep/Wool Market Reports

Compiled by USDA Market News Service • Greeley, Colo.-San Angelo

Wool prices in cents per pound and foreign currency per kilogram, sheep prices in dollars per hundredweight (cwt.) except some replacement

> NATIONAL WOOL REVIEW (USDA Market News) Greeley, Colo July 15

Domestic wool trading on a clean basis has been at a standstill this week. No confirmed trades were reported. Domestic wool trading on a greasy basis was at a standstill this week. There were no confirmed trades reported Domestic wool tags

\$.60-.70 No. 1 \$.50-.60 No. 3 \$.40-.50 NATIONAL SHEEP SUMMARY (USDA Market News) San Angelo, Texas July 15

Compared to last week: Slaughter lambs were steady to \$3 lower. Slaughter ewes were steady to \$2 higher at Sioux Falls, S.D., and no good comparison at other locations. Feeder lambs were weak.

At San Angelo, Texas, 9,548 head sold. No sales in Equity Electronic Auction.

In direct trading slaughter ewes and feeder lambs were not tested. 5,200 head of negotiated sales of slaughter lambs were \$3 higher 8.700 head of formula sales had no trend due to confidentiality. 4,288 lamb carcasses sold with 45 lbs. and down \$27.48 higher; 45-65 lbs no trend due to confidentiality; 65-75 lbs. \$4.33 higher; 75-85 lbs. \$8.85 higher and 85 lbs. and up \$5.98 higher.

SLAUGHTER LAMBS Choice and Prime 2-3: San Angelo: shorn and wooled 100-140 lbs \$120-140. SLAUGHTER LAMBS Choice and Prime 1

San Angelo: 40-60 lbs. \$200-216, few \$222: 60-70 lbs. \$174-200, few \$204-208; 70-80 lbs. \$160-170, few \$178; 80-90 lbs. \$144-158, few \$174: 90-110 lbs. \$140-150.

DIRECT TRADING (Lambs with 3-4 percent shrink or equivalent): SLAUGHTER EWES:

San Angelo: Good 2-3 (fleshy) \$51-59; Utility and Good 1-3 (medium flesh) \$60-70; Utility 1-2 (thin) \$51-60; Cull and Utility 1-2 (very thin) \$40-51; Cull 1 (extremely thin) \$18-32.

FEEDER LAMBS Medium and Large 1-2: San Angelo: 50-60 lbs. \$184-200; 60-90 lbs \$170-188; 90-100 lbs. \$170-178.

REPLACEMENT EWES Medium and Large

San Angelo: hair ewe lambs 70-90 lbs. \$170-201 cwt; mixed age hair ewes 90-150 lbs. \$85-136 cwt

NATIONAL WEEKLY LAMB CARCASS Choice and Prime 1-4: Weiaht

Wtd. avg. 45 lbs. Down \$499.05 Price not reported 45-55 lbs due to confidentiality 55-65 lbs. Price not reported due to confidentiality 65-75 lbs. \$320.65 75-85 lbs. \$315.99 85 lbs. and up \$297.01

Sheep and lamb slaughter under federal inspection for the week to date totaled 39,000 compared with 37,000 last week and 35,000 last year

California Egg Reports Compiled by USDA Market News Service • Des Moines

Shell egg marketer's benchmark price for negotiated egg sales of USDA Grade AA and Grade AA in

cartons, cents per dozen. This price does not reflect discounts or other contract terms DAILY CALIFORNIA SHELL EGGS (USDA Market News)

Des Moines, Iowa Benchmark prices are steady. Asking prices for next week are 10 cents lower for Jumbo, 13 cents lower for Extra Large, 11 cents lower for Large and 13 cents lower for Medium and Small. The undertone is

lower. Retail and food service demand are light to mostly moderate, somewhat better where ads are in place. Offerings are moderate to mostly heavy. Supplies are mostly moderate to instances heavy. Market activity is slow. Small benchmark price 80 cents. Range

Jumbo 161 Extra large 142 130 Medium SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Prices to retailers, sales to volume buyers, USDA Grade AA and Grade AA, white eggs in cartons, delivered store door

Jumbo 113-124 Extra large 68-79 61-70

Cattle Market Reports

Compiled by USDA Market News Service • Oklahoma City-Des

Cattle prices in dollars per hundredweight (cwt.) except some replacement animals per pair or

NATIONAL FEEDER AND STOCKER CATTLE (Federal-State Market News)

St. Joseph, Mo. Last week

554,900 Compared to last week: Feede ers traded steady to \$5 lower. Another week of volatile up, down and side-

pants scratching their heads, wondering whether we've reached the bottom On July 11 the CME cattle complex opened

the first full trading week of July sharply lower and market weakness was magnified as some

Subsequently, bids in the south were raised to \$116-117 but were still passed as owners held out for better money. Many believed that barring a futures crash July 15, the market would see a complete turnaround from the beginning of

morning before closing with triple-digit losses

Extreme heat is expected to move into cattle country (and the Corn Belt) by the middle of next

again this week that volatility is not exclusive to

the cattle market. Grain futures continue to waver between the likelihood of a bumper crop one day and the ever present possibility of drought, and the resulting

closely. Moving forward through the summer weakness is common and almost expected this time of year, however, fundamentally the beef sector holds much more firm than the cash mar ket would lead one to believe. Feedlots are current, retail prices have de

Last week 162.200 25.400 121.100 WASHINGTON 2,500. 87 pct over 600 lbs. 45 pct heifers. Steers: Medium and Large 1-2 600-650 lbs. \$139.49: 650-700 lbs. \$136.55: 700-750 lbs. \$136.06; 750-800 lbs. \$134.40; 850-900 lbs. \$132.76. Heifers: Medium and Large 1-2 550-600 lbs. \$134.67: 600-650 lbs. \$131.48: 650-700 lbs. \$130.80; 700-750 lbs. \$131.45; 750-800 lbs. \$123.63; 800-850 lbs. \$126.13; 850-900 lbs \$126.19

This week Last week 62.300 56,500 SOUTHWEST (Arizona-California-Nevada) 3,200. No cattle over 600 lbs. No heifers. Holsteins: Large 3 300 lbs. \$130 September-October

5,200. 48 pct over 600 lbs. 41 pct heifers. Steers Large 1 Current FOB Price 900 lbs. \$131-132 Washington-Oregon. Medium and Large 1-2 Future Delivery FOB Price 550-600 lbs. \$147.50-148 for October-November Washington-Oregon-Idaho; 600-700 lbs. \$139-145, few 600 lbs. \$151 value added calves for October-November Washington-Oregon- Idaho; 700 lbs. \$136.50 calves for October-November Washington. Heifers: Medium and Large 1-2 Current FOB Price 850-900 lbs. \$120.50-128 Washington-Idaho Current Delivered Price 850- 900 lbs. \$128-131 Idaho. Medium and Large 1-2 Future Delivery FOB Price 500- 600 lbs. \$130-139 for Octo ber-November Washington-Oregon-Idaho; 600-650 lbs. \$130 calves for October- November Washington-Oregon-Idaho

NATIONAL SLAUGHTER CATTLE (USDA Market News) Oklahoma City, Okla July 15 Slaughter cattle trade not established in Tex

as and Kansas. Live trade in Nebraska sold \$3 lower while dressed trades were \$3-5 lower Demand limited as cattle futures traded mostly to the downside this week. Boxed beef prices also lagged behind losing more than \$3. Boxed Beef prices Friday at noon average

\$199.03 down \$3.78 from last July 15. The Choice/Select spread is \$12.33. Slaughter cattle on a national basis for negotiated cash trades through July 15 totaled about 11,475 head. The previous week's total head count was 82,132 Midwest Direct Markets: Live Basis: Steers and

Heifers: \$117. Dressed Basis: Steers and Heifers South Plains Direct Markets: Live Basis: Steers

and Heifers not established. Slaughter Cows and Bulls (Average Yielding

Prices): Slaughter cows and bulls steady to \$5 lower than the last test two weeks ago. Cutter Cow Carcass Cut-Out Value July 15 at the close on was \$173.93 up \$2.88 from July 8.

NORTHWEST DIRECT CATTLE (USDA Market News) Moses Lake, Wash July 15

5.150 4.150 Compared to July 8: Feeder cattle \$2-3 higher. Trade moderate this week. Demand good espe cially for fall delivery calves

The feeder supply included 59 percent steers and 41 percent heifers. Near 48 percent of the

supply weighed over 600 lbs. Prices are FOB weighing point with a 1-4 percent shrink or equivalent and with a 5-12 cent slide on calves and a 3-8 cent slide on yearlings Current sales are up to 14 days delivery. Deliv-

ered prices include freight, commissions and other expenses Steers: Large 1: Current FOB Price: 900 lbs. \$131-132 Washington-Oregon. Medium and Large 1-2: Future Delivery FOB Price: 550-600 lbs. \$147.50-148 for October-November Washington- Oregon-Idaho; 600-700 lbs. \$139-145, few 600 lbs. \$151 value added calves for Oc-Washington-Oregon-Idaho; tober-November

700 lbs. \$136.50 calves for October-November Washington Heifers: Medium and Large 1-2: Current FOB

ton-Idaho. Current Delivered Price: 850-900 lbs \$128-131 Idaho. Medium and Large 1-2: Future Delivery FOB Price: 500-600 lbs. \$130-139 for October-November Washington-Oregon-Idaho 600-650 lbs. \$130 calves for October-November

Cattle prices in dollars per hundredweight (cwt.) \$97.50.

Livestock Auctions

except some replacement animals per pair or

Washington

TOPPENISH (Toppenish Livestock Auction) (USDA Market News) Moses Lake, Wash.

July 15 This week Last week 2.200 1,100 1,400

Compared to July 8 at same market: Stocker and feeder cattle firm to \$7 higher. Trade very active with good demand and good buyer attendance. Slaughter cows and bulls steady to \$3 higher. Trade active with good demand. Slaughter cows 45 percent, slaughter bulls 5 percent, and feeders 50 percent of the supply. The feeder supply included 55 percent steers and 45 percent heifers. Near 87 percent of the

run weighed over 600 lbs. Feeder Steers: Medium and Large 1-2: 300-400 lbs. \$147.50; 500-600 lbs. \$139-141.50; 600-700 lbs. \$135-139.85; 700-800 lbs. \$133-138.50; 800-900 lbs. \$129.85-135. Large 1: 900-1000 lbs. \$117-133; 1000-1100 lbs. \$120. Feeder Bulls: Medium and Large 1-2: 500 600 lbs. \$139; 800-900 lbs. \$116.

Feeder Heifers: Medium and Large 1-2: 200-300 lbs. \$435, Per Head; 300-400 lbs. \$145-147; 400-500 lbs. \$135-140; 500-600 lbs. \$133-139; 600-700 lbs. \$130-132.75; 700-800 lbs. \$120-133; 700-800 lbs. \$111, Full; 800-900 lbs. \$125.50-131.75. Large 1: 900-1000 lbs.

\$122. Small and Medium 2-3: 400-500 lbs

Slaughter Cows: Boning 80-85 percent lean 1600-2000 lbs. \$75-82; Lean 85-90 percent lean 1200-1900 lbs. \$76-83; Lean Light 90 percent lean 900-1400 lbs. \$66-71.

Slaughter Bulls: Yield Grade 1-2 1400-2500 lbs. \$89-95.50.

Idaho

CALDWELL (Treasure Valley Livestock)

June 24 Steers (wt.): 500-600 lbs. \$88.50; 600-700 lbs.

800-900 lbs. \$85.50

Heifers (hd.): 100-200 lbs. \$130; 300-400 lbs.

Bull Calf (wt.): NA. Bull Calf (hd.): 400-500 lbs. \$230. Cows (wt.): 1100-1200 lbs. \$61.25; 1200-1300 lbs. \$47.75; 1300-1400 lbs. \$73.75; 1400-1500

Heiferettes (wt.): 300-400 lbs. \$100; 400-500 lbs. \$90.75; 500-600 lbs. \$80; 600-700 lbs. \$77.75; 800-900 lbs. \$85.50; 900-1000 lbs. \$89.50; 1000-1100 lbs. \$90.25; 1100-1200 lbs \$80.25; 1200 lbs and up \$81.50. Holstein Bulls (wt.): NA.

\$80; 700-800 lbs. \$88; 800 lbs and up \$71. Steers (hd.): 100-200 lbs. \$215; 300-400 lbs.

Heifers (wt.): 300-400 lbs. \$100; 400-500 lbs. \$90.75; 500-600 lbs. \$80; 600-700 lbs. \$77.75;

\$315.

lbs. \$70.50; 2000 lbs and up \$61.

lbs. 66.75; 1500-1600 lbs. 77.25; 1600-1700lbs. \$77.25; 1700-1800 lbs. \$75.25; 1800-1900

Oregon

EUGENE (Eugene Livestock Auction) Junction City. Ore.

July 16 Total head count: 358. Market conditions compared to last week: Cows and bulls off slightly; feeders cattle off \$3-5. Top cows: High dressers \$62-72, low dressers

\$50-62, top 10 cows \$63,20 Top bulls: High dressers \$72-92. Feeder bulls: 300-500 lbs. \$120-158.50; 500-700 lbs. \$90-132; 700-900 lbs. \$74-110.

Choice steers: Medium to large frame No. 1 and No. 2: 400-500 lbs. \$120-141: 500-600 lbs. \$110-130: 600-700 lbs. \$110: 700-800 lbs. \$113: 800-900 lbs. \$118. Choice heifers: Medium to large frame No. 1 and No. 2: 300-400 lbs. \$110-122: 400-500 lbs. \$105-120: 500-600 lbs. \$110-130; 600-700 lbs. \$110-124; 700-800 lbs. \$105-

118.50; 800 up lbs. \$100-110. Bred Cows: \$700-750 head, Pairs: \$1250 pair.

Head calves (up to 250 lbs.): Beef 275-485 head; dairy \$40-210 head Feeder lambs: 50-90 lbs. \$120-165: 90-130 lbs.

MADRAS (Central Oregon Livestock Auction) July 11 Total head count: 257

700-800 lbs. \$137-143; 800-900 lbs. \$125-136.

Steers: 300-400 lbs. \$150-160: 400-500 lbs. \$150-

the state to work on behalf of

the Forest Service on federal

Heifers: 300-400 lbs. \$145-155; 400-500 lbs \$145-155: 500-600 lbs. \$135-145: 600-700 lbs \$127-135: 700-800 lbs. \$123-130. Heiferettes 850-1000 lbs. \$115-123.

Cows: Heiferettes \$105; Fleshy cows \$75; high-yield \$78; medium-yield \$73; low-yield \$68. **California**

SHASTA (Shasta Livestock Auction) Cottonwood, Calif. July 15

Current week Last week 1.760 975

steady. Feeder market steady to \$5 lower. Off lots and singles \$30-50 below top offerings. Slaughter cows: High yielding \$70-73; \$74-81 high dress; Boning \$62-69; Cutters \$40-60. Bulls

Compared to Last Week: Slaughter cows

1 and 2: \$70-96. Feeder steers: 400-450 lbs. \$156.50; 500-550 lbs. \$130-149.50; 550-600 lbs. \$130-142; 600-650 lbs. \$130-138; 650-700 lbs. \$125-139; 700-750 lbs. \$120-132; 750-800 lbs. \$120-130.50; 800-900 lbs. \$120-132; 900-1,000 lbs. \$110-

Feeder heifers: 450-500 lbs. \$120-133; 500 550 lbs. \$122-134.50; 550-600 lbs. \$120-133; 600-650 lbs. \$116-129.50; 650-700 lbs. \$115-123.50; 700-750 lbs. \$114-122; 750-800 lbs

160; 500-600 lbs. \$145-155; 600-700 lbs. \$140-150; Calvy cows: Full mouth \$1300-1950 broken mouth butcher price to \$1260. Bulls: High yield. \$96-101; Mostly \$95; Thinner Pairs: Older pairs \$1000-1460

By MATT VOLZ Associated Press

HELENA, Mont. (AP) — Montana Gov. Steve Bullock signed an agreement with the U.S. Forest Service on Monday for the state to play a bigger role in forest management on federal lands, which officials say will speed up backlogged logging projects.

Forest management and the declining timber industry have emerged as major issues in this year's governor's race, with Weyerhaeuser announcing last month that it would close a Columbia Falls lumber and ply-

wood mill. The closure will put about 100 people out of work in addition to 100 administrative jobs that are being eliminated or moved with Weyerhaeuser's purchase of Plum Creek Tim-With the Chessman Res-

ervoir as a backdrop, Bullock, Forest Service Regional Forester Leanne Marten and Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation Director John Tubbs signed the Good Neighbor Authority agreement, which was authorized under the 2014 federal

The agreement will allow

Farm Bill.

land, such as conducting environmental analyses for logging

Montana signs forest management deal

projects. Forest management, including logging trees for fuel reduction, is important as fire seasons grow longer and more intense, U.S. Agriculture Undersecretary Robert Bonnie But most of the Forest Service's budget is being spent fighting fires, and the number

of non-fire Forest Service employees has dropped 39 percent since the 1990s, Bonnie said. "This allows us to get more work done more quickly," Bon-

Two logging and restoration projects in the Flathead Na-

nie said of the agreement.

tional Forest and the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest will be the first conducted under the signed agreement, but Bullock said two other projects have been undertaken without a formal deal. The Chessman Reservoir project, which logged more

than 400 acres of trees killed by the recent mountain pine beetle outbreak from Helena's main water source, was the first example of a federal-state logging and restoration partnership, Del; 300 lbs. \$129-130 November Del. NORTHWEST Tubbs said.

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northern sales were reported at \$191 dressed. Futures posted even more impressive gains July 14 and suddenly the feeling was remarkably

But after an impressive rally off of the contract lows, cattle futures ran out of steam July 15

Excessive heat will also affect crop conditions and therefore grain futures, which proved once

Feeder cattle prices are heavily influenced by feed prices so corn futures will be watched very

clined, exports are up and imports are down. For whatever reason though the market continues to be plagued by bearishness with no ability to capitalize on the fundamentals and find any solid footing. Auction volume this week included 57 percent weighing over 600 lbs. and 38 percent **AUCTIONS** Last year

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