

For the Period July 28 to August 3, 2015

Harvest has begun in some parts of the province, according to Saskatchewan Agriculture's weekly Crop Report.

Less than one per cent of the provincial crop has been combined, while one per cent is ready to straight-cut. Twenty-three per cent of the fall rye, 10 per cent of the winter wheat, five per cent of the field peas and two per cent of the lentils are now in the bin. Two per cent of the canola is now swathed.

The province received a lot of rain last week, which has lodged many crops and flooded some fields and yards. Topsoil moisture conditions have improved in many areas, thanks to rainfall that ranged from small amounts to well over six inches. Provincially, topsoil moisture conditions on cropland are rated as four per cent surplus, 69 per cent adequate, 24 per cent short and three per cent very short. Hay land and pasture topsoil moisture is rated as two per cent surplus, 58 per cent adequate, 33 per cent short and seven per cent very short.

Livestock producers now have 80 per cent of the hay crop baled or put into silage, while an additional 12 per cent is cut and will soon be ready for baling. Hay quality is rated as three per cent excellent, 53 per cent good, 36 per cent fair and eight per cent poor.

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<http://www.agriculture.gov.sk.ca/FeedForageListing>

Pasture conditions are rated as one per cent excellent, 32 per cent good, 38 per cent fair, 23 per cent poor and six per cent very poor.

The majority of crop damage this week was caused by strong winds, heavy rain, insects such as aphids and lack of moisture.

Farmers are busy beginning harvest.

One year ago

Desiccation of peas and lentils in some southwestern and west-central areas was just beginning. Rain showers and high humidity was delaying haying progress.

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Southeastern Saskatchewan (Crop District 1 – Carnduff, Estevan, Redvers, Moosomin and Kipling areas; Crop District 2 – Weyburn, Milestone, Moose Jaw, Regina and Qu’Appelle areas; Crop District 3ASE – Radville and Lake Alma areas)

Harvest has just begun. Producers in the region have less than one per cent of the total crop combined. Two per cent of the lentils, six per cent of the field peas, 14 per cent of the winter wheat and 29 per cent of the fall rye have been combined, while eight per cent of the canola has been swathed.

Large amounts of rain fell on Tuesday, lodging crops and flooding some fields and yards. The Moose Jaw area received 95 mm of rain, while the Tantallon area has received 264 mm of rainfall since April 1. Cropland topsoil moisture is currently rated as two per cent surplus, 55 per cent adequate, 42 per cent short and one per cent very short. Hay land and pasture topsoil moisture is rated as 43 per cent adequate, 54 per cent short and three per cent very short.

Livestock producers have 80 per cent of the hay crop baled or put into silage, with an additional 15 per cent cut and soon ready for baling. Hay quality is rated as four per cent excellent, 66 per cent good, 26 per cent fair and four per cent poor. Pasture conditions are rated as 29 per cent good, 42 per cent fair, 25 per cent poor and four per cent very poor.

Crops are advancing quickly and desiccation of pulse crops continues. The majority of crop damage this past week was caused by insects such as aphids, as well as wind, hail and lack of moisture.

Farmers are busy with harvest operations.

Southwestern Saskatchewan (Crop District 3ASW – Coronach, Assiniboia and Ogema areas; Crop District 3AN – Gravelbourg, Mossbank, Mortlach and Central Butte areas; Crop District 3B – Kyle, Swift Current, Shaunavon and Ponteix areas; Crop District 4 – Consul, Maple Creek and Leader areas)

Harvest is nicely underway. Producers in the region have two per cent of the total crop in the bin. Four per cent of the lentils, 11 per cent of the field peas, 20 per cent of the winter wheat and 31 per cent of the fall rye have been combined. Two per cent of the canola crop is swathed.

Heavy rainfall in many areas has damaged crops and flooded fields and yards. The Gravelbourg area received 157 mm of rain, while the Mortlach area has received 309 mm of rainfall since April 1. Cropland topsoil moisture conditions are rated as one per cent surplus, 72 per cent adequate, 24 per cent short and three per cent very short, while hay land and pasture topsoil moisture conditions are rated as 63 per cent adequate, 32 per cent short and five per cent very short.

Ninety-two per cent of the hay crop has been baled or put into silage, with an additional five per cent cut and soon to be ready for baling. Hay quality is rated as four per cent excellent, 50 per cent good, 39 per cent fair and seven per cent poor. Pasture

conditions are rated as 31 per cent good, 31 per cent fair, 26 per cent poor and 12 per cent very poor.

Producers continue desiccating pulses in many areas of the region. There are reports that some producers are selling cereal crops as greenfeed. The majority of crop damage this past week was caused by lack of moisture, as well as wind, localized flooding and insects such as aphids.

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East-Central Saskatchewan (Crop District 5 – Melville, Yorkton, Cupar, Kamsack, Foam Lake, Preeceville and Kelvington areas; Crop District 6A – Lumsden, Craik, Watrous and Clavet areas)

Some winter cereal crops are being swathed in the region, while others will be ready for straight-cutting shortly. Most producer will likely begin swathing canola in the coming weeks.

The region received large amounts of rain that has lodged crops and caused localized flooding in many areas. The Meacham area received 134 mm of rain this past week, bringing its total received since April 1 to 285 mm. Topsoil moisture conditions on cropland are rated as 11 per cent surplus, 84 per cent adequate and five per cent short. Hay land and pasture topsoil moisture is rated as eight per cent surplus, 79 per cent adequate, 12 per cent short and one per cent very short.

Livestock producers now have 71 per cent of the hay crop baled or put into silage. An additional 17 per cent is cut and soon to be ready for baling. Hay quality is rated as three per cent excellent, 52 per cent good, 36 per cent fair and nine per cent poor. Pasture conditions are rated as three per cent excellent, 40 per cent good, 43 per cent fair and 14 per cent poor.

Crop development is advancing quickly and harvest will begin soon. Most crop damage this week was caused by localized flooding, wind, hail and insects such as aphids and diamondback moths.

Farmers are busy haying and getting ready for harvest.

West-Central Saskatchewan (Crop Districts 6B – Hanley, Outlook, Loreburn, Saskatoon and Arelee areas; Crop District 7A – Rosetown, Kindersley, Eston, Major; CD 7B - Kerrobert, Macklin, Wilkie and Biggar areas)

Harvest is just beginning in much of the region. Five per cent of the field peas, 36 per cent of the winter wheat and 20 per cent of the fall rye are ready for straight-cutting.

Like much of the province, the west-central region received large amounts of rain that lodged crops and caused some localized flooding. The Outlook area received 90 mm of rain, bringing its total received since April 1 to 238 mm. Topsoil moisture conditions on

cropland are rated as 52 per cent adequate, 35 per cent short and 13 per cent very short. Topsoil moisture conditions on hay land and pasture are rated as one per cent surplus, 41 per cent adequate, 40 per cent short and 18 per cent very short. Producers in the region have 79 per cent of the hay crop baled or put into silage. An additional 12 per cent is cut and will soon be ready for baling. Hay quality is rated as 35 per cent good, 52 per cent fair and 13 per cent poor. Pasture conditions are rated as 17 per cent good, 51 per cent fair, 28 per cent poor and four per cent very poor.

Crops are ripening quickly and producers have begun desiccating some pulse crops. The majority of crop damage this week was caused by lack of moisture, as well as hail, wind and insects such as aphids.

Farmers are busy finishing haying and getting ready for harvest.

Northeastern Saskatchewan (Crop District 8 – Hudson Bay, Tisdale, Melfort, Carrot River, Humboldt, Kinistino, Cudworth and Aberdeen areas; Crop District 9AE – Prince Albert, Choiceland and Paddockwood areas)

Harvest will likely begin soon in the region as crops are ripening quickly. Many producers will begin swathing canola in the coming weeks. Most crop damage this week was caused by localized flooding and wind.

The region experienced heavy rain, lodging crops and flooding some fields and yards. The Tisdale area received 134 mm of rainfall this past week, while the Humboldt region has recorded 315 mm since April 1, the greatest amount for both the region and the province. Cropland topsoil moisture conditions are rated as 13 per cent surplus, 85 per cent adequate and two per cent short. Hay land and pasture topsoil moisture is rated as six per cent surplus, 93 per cent adequate and one per cent short.

Livestock producers have 75 per cent of the hay crop baled or put into silage. An additional 13 per cent is cut and will soon be ready for baling. Hay quality is rated as eight per cent excellent, 75 per cent good and 17 per cent fair. Pasture conditions are rated as five per cent excellent, 67 per cent good, 24 per cent fair and four per cent poor.

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Northwestern Saskatchewan (Crop District 9AW – Shellbrook, North Battleford, Big River and Hafford areas; Crop District 9B – Meadow Lake, Turtleford, Pierceland, Maidstone and Lloydminster areas)

Harvest will begin shortly in the area as crops are quickly ripening. Producers are likely to begin swathing canola in the next couple of weeks. The majority of crop damage this week was caused by lack of moisture and insects such as aphids.

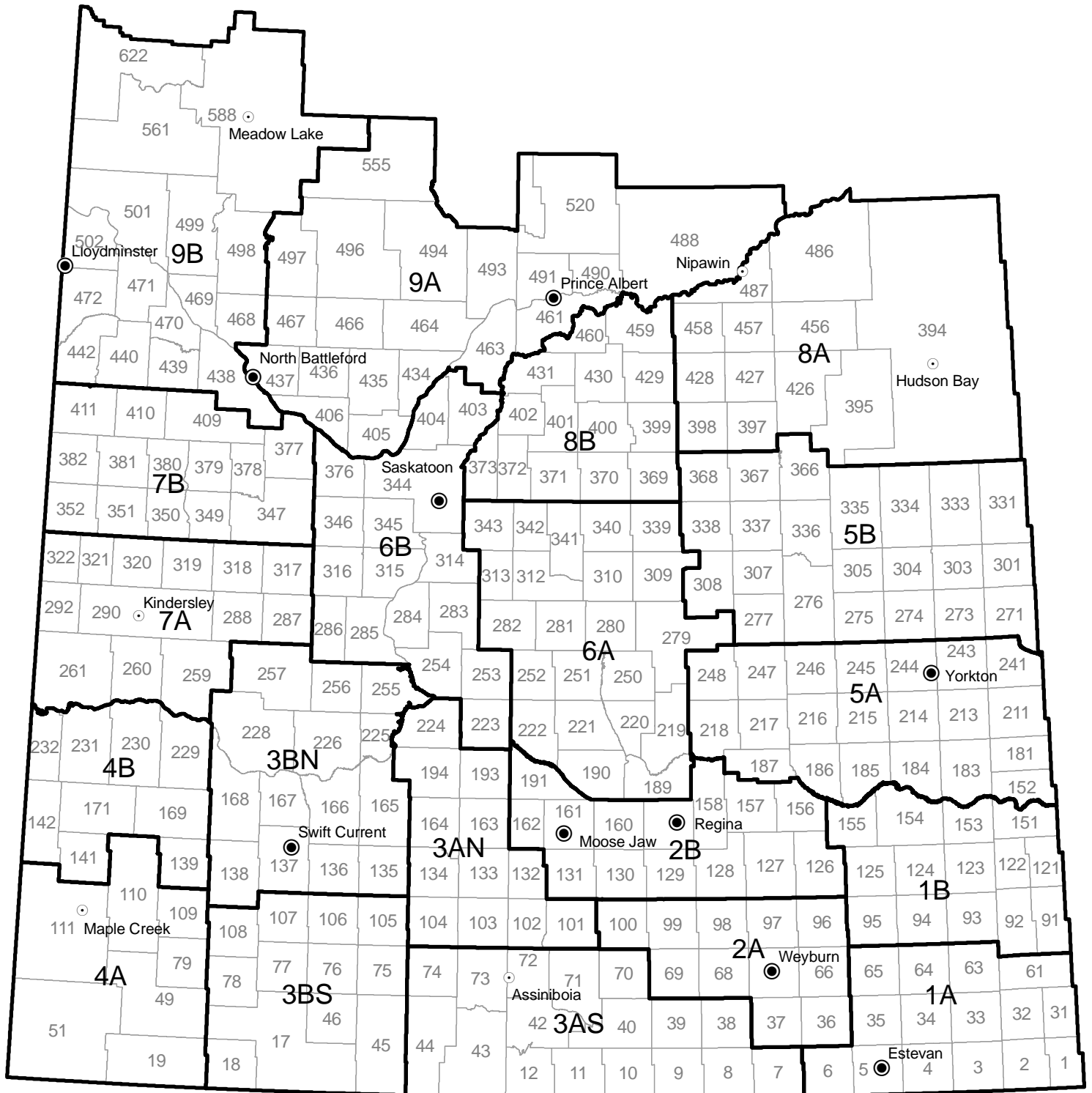
Rainfall last week ranged from small amounts to 40 mm in the Duck Lake area. The Duck Lake area has also received the greatest amount of precipitation in the region since April 1

(213 mm). Cropland topsoil moisture is rated as one per cent surplus, 63 per cent adequate, 35 per cent short and one per cent very short. Hay land and pasture topsoil moisture is rated as 45 per cent adequate, 41 per cent short and 14 per cent very short.

Seventy-two per cent of the hay crop has now been baled or put into silage, with an additional 14 per cent cut and soon to be ready for baling. Hay quality is rated as 54 per cent good, 39 per cent fair and seven per cent poor. Pasture conditions are rated as four per cent good, 39 per cent fair, 42 per cent poor and 15 per cent very poor.

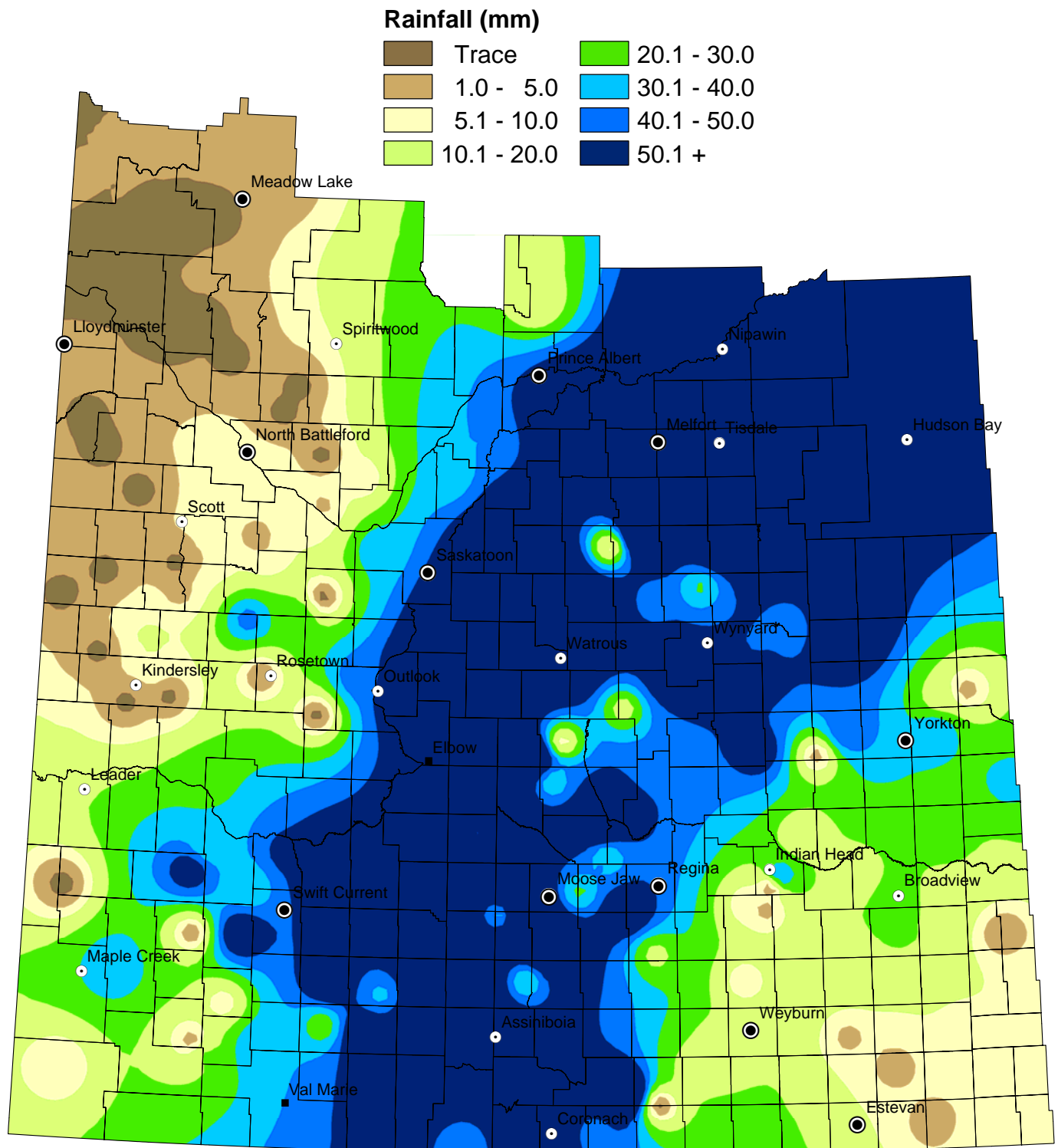
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Crop Districts and Rural Municipalities in Saskatchewan



Weekly Rainfall

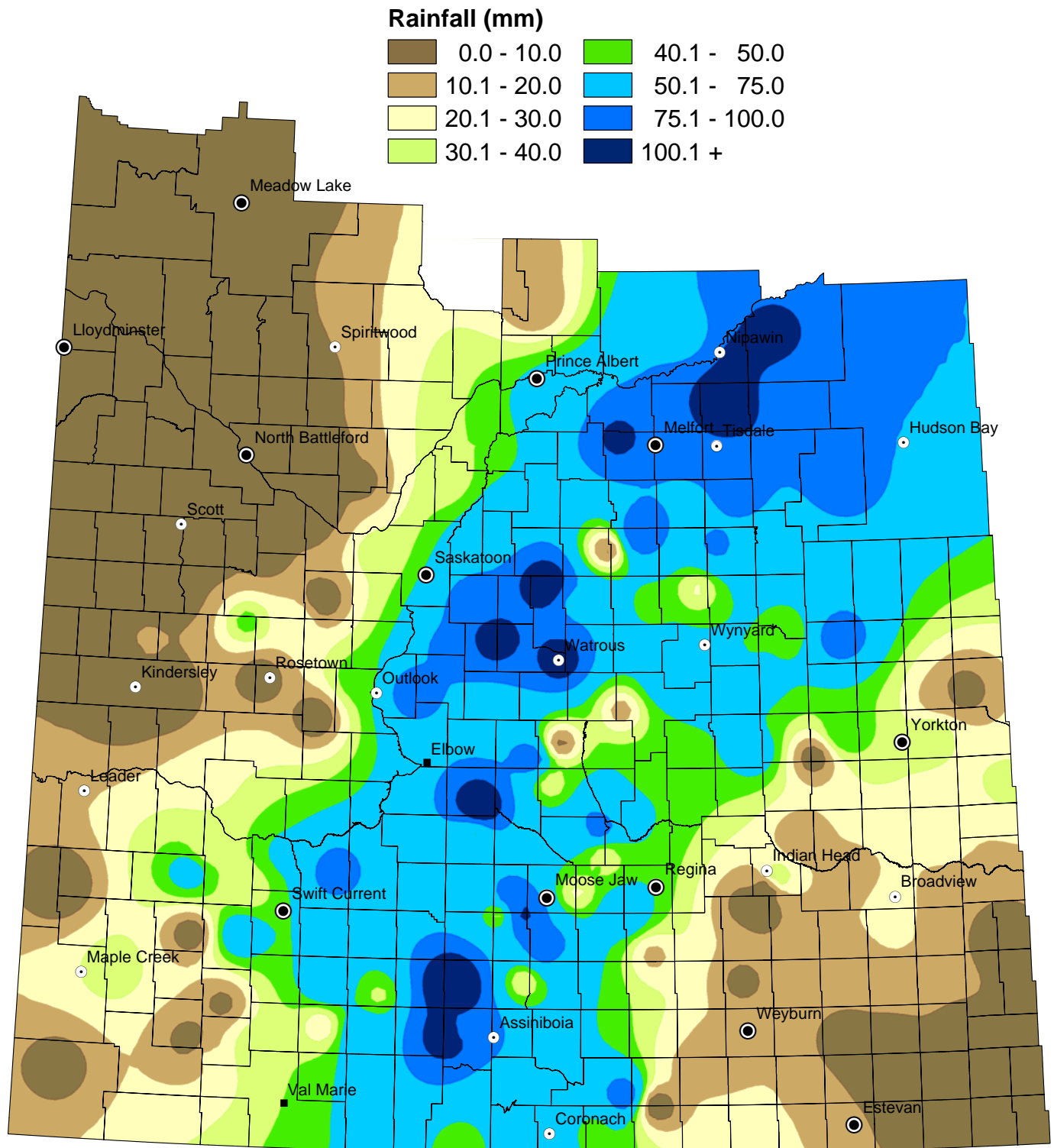
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Weekly Rainfall Summary

(in millimeters)

1 inch = 25 mm

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Crop Dist.	R.M. No.	Name	Past Week	Since 1-Apr	Crop Dist.	R.M. No.	Name	Past Week	Since 1-Apr	Crop Dist.	R.M. No.	Name	Past Week	Since 1-Apr	
1A	2	Mount Pleasant	6	174	4A	49	White Valley	N/A	185.0	7A	287	St. Andrews	1	182	
	3	Enniskillen	3	177		51	Reno	5.8	126.6		288	Pleasant Valley	N/A	156	
	33	Moose Creek	N/A	192		79	Arlington	3	182		290 A	Kindersley	NIL	102.8	
	34	Browning	3	137		109 A	Carmichael	N/A	96		290 B	Kindersley	6	142.0	
	61	Antler	N/A	174		109 B	Carmichael	N/A	49		290 C	Kindersley	NIL	18	
	63	Moose Mountain	6.1	143.4		110	Piapot	35	87		292	Milton	N/A	71	
	64	Brook	5	142		111	Maple Creek	N/A	98.0		317 A	Marriott	N/A	111	
	65	Tecumseh	4	113.5		4B	139	Gull Lake	2		148	317 B	Marriott	27	180
	91	Maryfield	8	170			142	Enterprise	NIL		159.4	318	Mountain View	44	157
	122	Martin	1	206			169	Pittville	59		111	320 A	Oakdale	13	89.5
123	Silverwood	13	232	231	Happyland		NIL	45	320 B	Oakdale	5	106			
124	Kingsley	20	168	183 B	Fertile Belt		24	271	321	Prairiedale	NIL	162.5			
125 A	Chester	16	194	5A	186		Abernethy	10	192	347	Biggar	5	123		
125 B	Chester	16	142		211		Churchbridge	32	224	350 A	Mariposa	NIL	87		
151 A	Rocanville	11	264		213		Saltcoats	N/A	262	350 B	Mariposa	4	109		
154	Elcapo	30	148		216		Tullymet	N/A	117	351	Progress	NIL	67		
155 A	Wolseley	12	237		241		Calder	N/A	175	352	Heart's Hill	NIL	101		
2A	67	Weyburn	N/A		125	243	Wallace	37	144	377	Glenside	6	117		
	68	Brokenshell	12		119	244	Orkney	N/A	140	378 B	Rosemount	3	140		
2B	97	Wellington	6.5		117.5	245 A	Garry	50	239	379	Reford	5	104		
	127 A	Francis	3.5		181	245 B	Garry	N/A	138	381	Grass Lake	N/A	54.5		
	127 B	Francis	5		115.1	245 C	Garry	3	232	382	Eye Hill	N/A	38		
	129	Bratt's Lake	17	112.5	246	Ituna Bon Accord	N/A	111	409	Buffalo	N/A	62			
	131 A	Baildon	N/A	137	247	Kellross	60	200	410	Round Valley	NIL	105.4			
	131 B	Baildon	95	167	248	Touchwood	N/A	125.0	395	Porcupine	87	218			
	156 A	Indian Head	42	152.5	271	Cote	3	200	397	Barrier Valley	81.4	221.0			
	156 B	Indian Head	0	215	273	Sliding Hills	13	166	428	Star City	N/A	210			
	160 A	Pense	28	113	277	Emerald	62	148	456	Arbordfield	81	257			
	161	Moose Jaw	72	169	5B	305	Invermay	90	225.5	457	Connaught	134	236.0		
162	Caron	88	156.2	307		Elfros	49	170	486	Moose Range	108	241			
3ASE	191	Marquis	N/A	232		308 A	Big Quill	62	158	487	Nipawin	105	288		
	38 A	Laurier	17.4	113.1		308 B	Big Quill	61	171.5	8B	369	St. Peter	97	223	
3ASW	38 B	Laurier	17	110.5		331	Livingston	1	103	370 A	Humboldt	9	315		
	39 A	The Gap	0	144		336	Sasman	42	161	370 B	Humboldt	N/A	149		
3AN	10	Happy Valley	48	147		337	Lakeview	N/A	247	371	Bayne	N/A	144		
	12	Poplar Valley	75	246		338	Lakeside	29	218	372	Grant	72.6	210.0		
	40 A	Bengough	N/A	N/A		366	Kelvington	55	217	400	Three Lakes	N/A	115		
	40 B	Bengough	90	234		367	Ponass Lake	78	245	402	Fish Creek	54	187		
	42	Willow Bunch	52	200	6A	190 A	Dufferin	97	279	429	Flett's Springs	106	248		
	43	Old Post	44	145.5		190 B	Dufferin	55	255	459	Kinistino	N/A	172		
	70	Key West	N/A	25.4		190 C	Dufferin	45	169	460	Birch Hills	66.3	189.3		
	73 A	Stonehenge	120.6	266.1		190 D	Dufferin	24	154	488	Torch River	64	195		
	73 B	Stonehenge	91	239		219 A	Longlaketon	40	200	520	Paddockwood	10	178		
	101	Terrell	50	199		219 B	Longlaketon	N/A	197	521	Lakeland	10	178		
102	Lake Johnston	31.5	139.7	220		Mckillop	57	184	406	Mayfield	4	97			
103	Sutton	157	286	221		Sarnia	33.3	210.7	435	Redberry	6	170			
3BS	132 A	Hillsborough	38	309		222	Craik	N/A	226	436	Douglas	NIL	170		
	132 B	Hillsborough	105	234		251	Big Arm	7.5	154.3	463	Duck Lake	40	212.5		
	134	Shamrock	N/A	31.5	252	Arm River	90	280	467 A	Round Hill	NIL	114			
	193 A	Eyeblow	49	279	279	Mount Hope	15	135	467 B	Round Hill	NIL	118			
	193 B	Eyeblow	N/A	242	282	McCraney	70	225	9B	438	Battle River	N/A	115		
	17	Val Marie	N/A	66.3	312	Morris	120	189.5	440	Hillsdale	NIL	97			
	75 A	Pinto Creek	67	279	313	Lost River	124	244	442	Manitou Lake	0.5	94.4			
	75 B	Pinto Creek	N/A	43	339	Leroy	44.6	210.4	498 A	Parkdale	NIL	132.1			
	76	Auvergne	24	195	340	Wolverine	70	220	498 B	Parkdale	N/A	113			
	77	Wise Creek	40	164	341	Viscount	134	285	499 A	Mervin	NIL	174.9			
3BN	78	Grassy Creek	21	160.5	343 A	Blucher	87.5	212.2	499 B	Mervin	NIL	31.5			
	105	Glenbain	38	218	343 B	Blucher	N/A	75	501 A	Frenchman Butte	NIL	155			
	106	Whiska Creek	65	208	6B	223	Huron	138	220	501 B	Frenchman Butte	NIL	114		
	107	Lac Pelletier	N/A	75		284	Rudy	90	238	501 C	Frenchman Butte	NIL	167		
	108	Bone Creek	7	151		285	Fertile Valley	46	202	502	Britannia	N/A	109.5		
	138 A	Webb	66	187.5		286	Milden	0	191	561	Loon Lake	NIL	168		
	138 B	Webb	N/A	74.5		314	Dundurn	80	189	588 A	Meadow Lake	3	176		
	166	Excelsior	88	209		344	Corman Park	36	127	588 B	Meadow Lake	N/A	N/A		
	167	Sask. Landing	53.2	166.6		346	Perdue	NIL	144	588 C	Meadow Lake	NIL	132		
	168 A	Riverside	30	126		376	Eagle Creek	7	107	622	Beaver River	N/A	153.5		
168 B	Riverside	32	109.8	403		Rosthern	30	161							
226	Victory	N/A	100												
228	Lacadena	26	98												
257	Monet	N/A	117												

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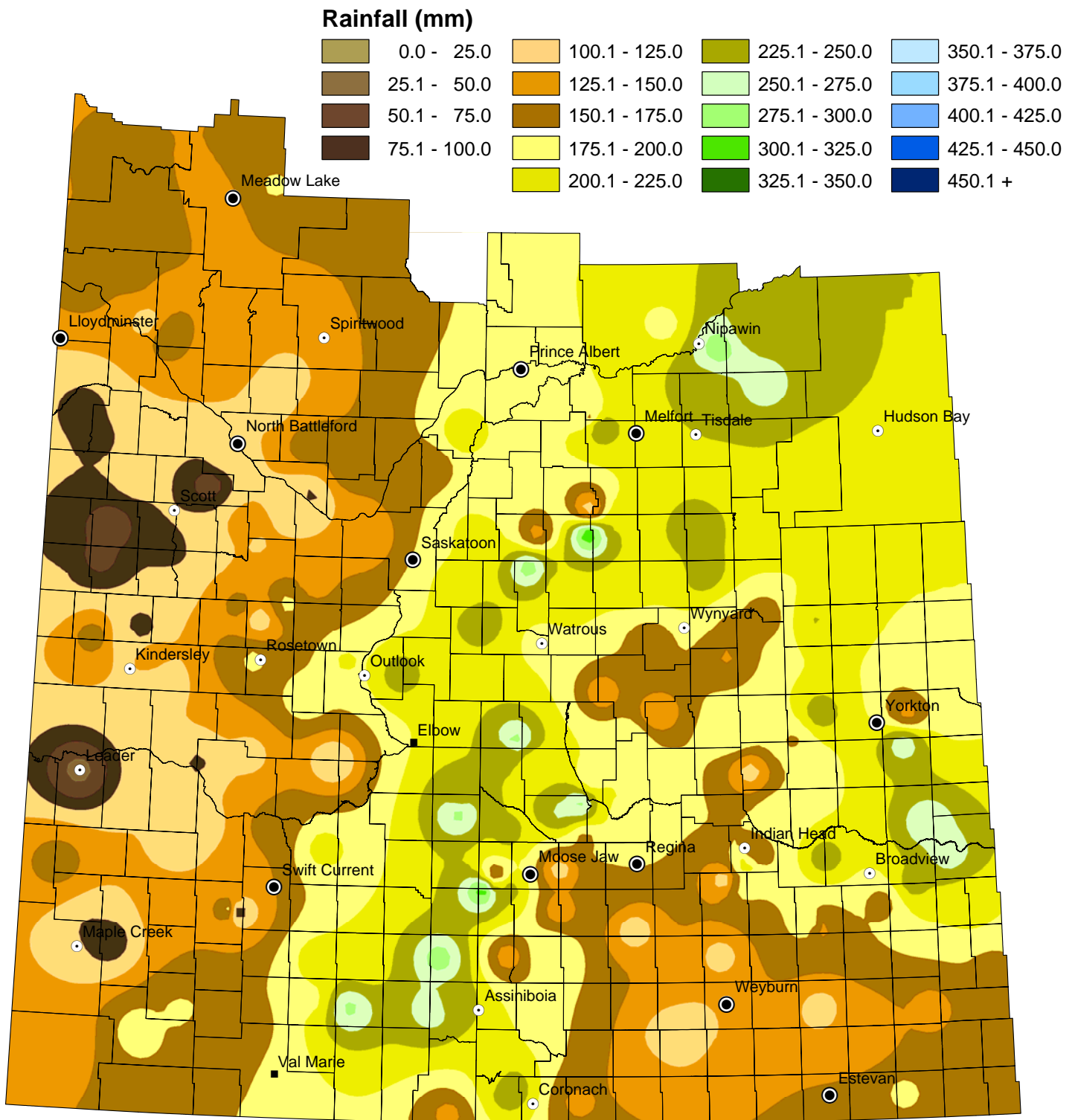
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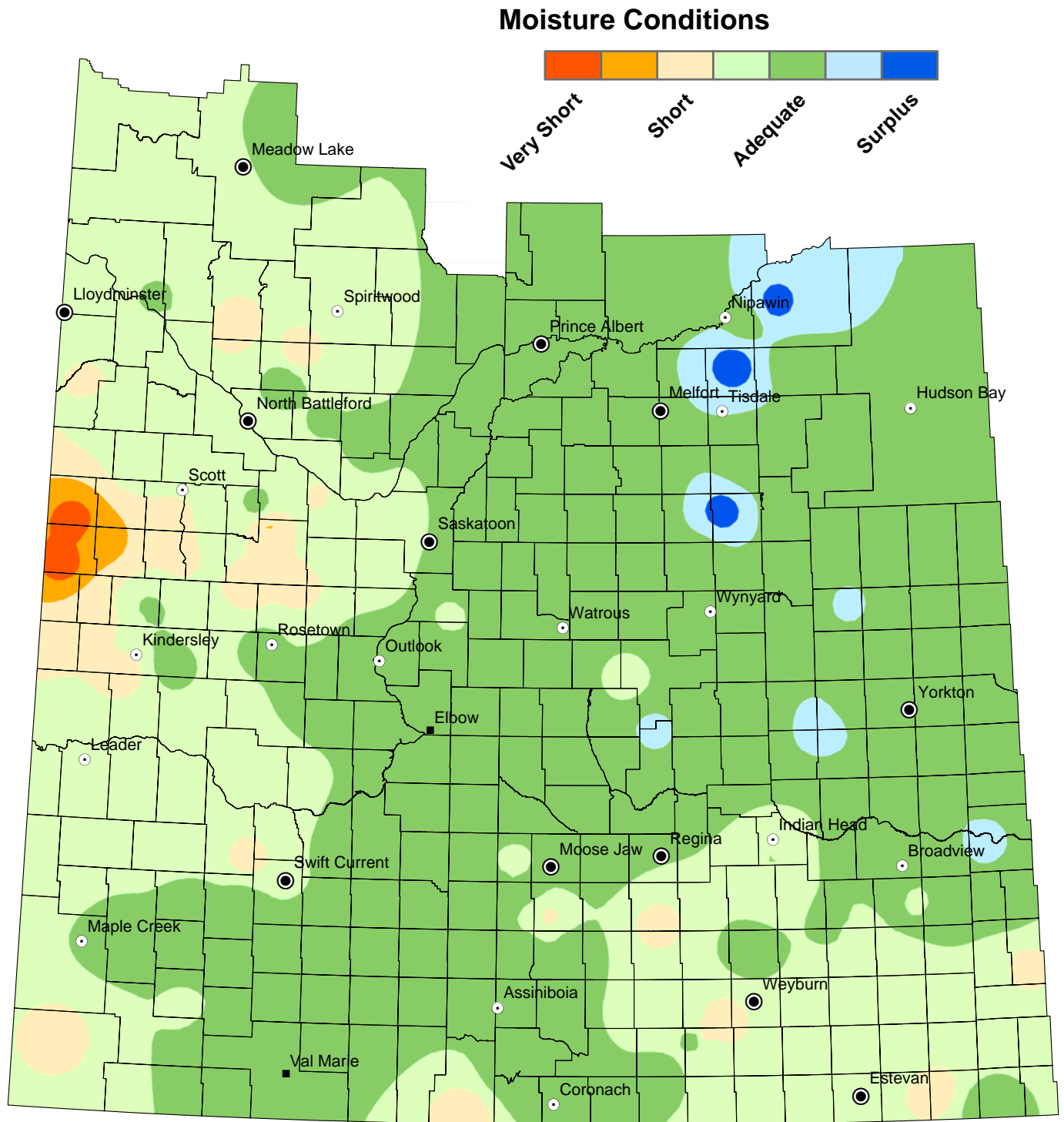
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Cropland Topsoil Moisture Conditions

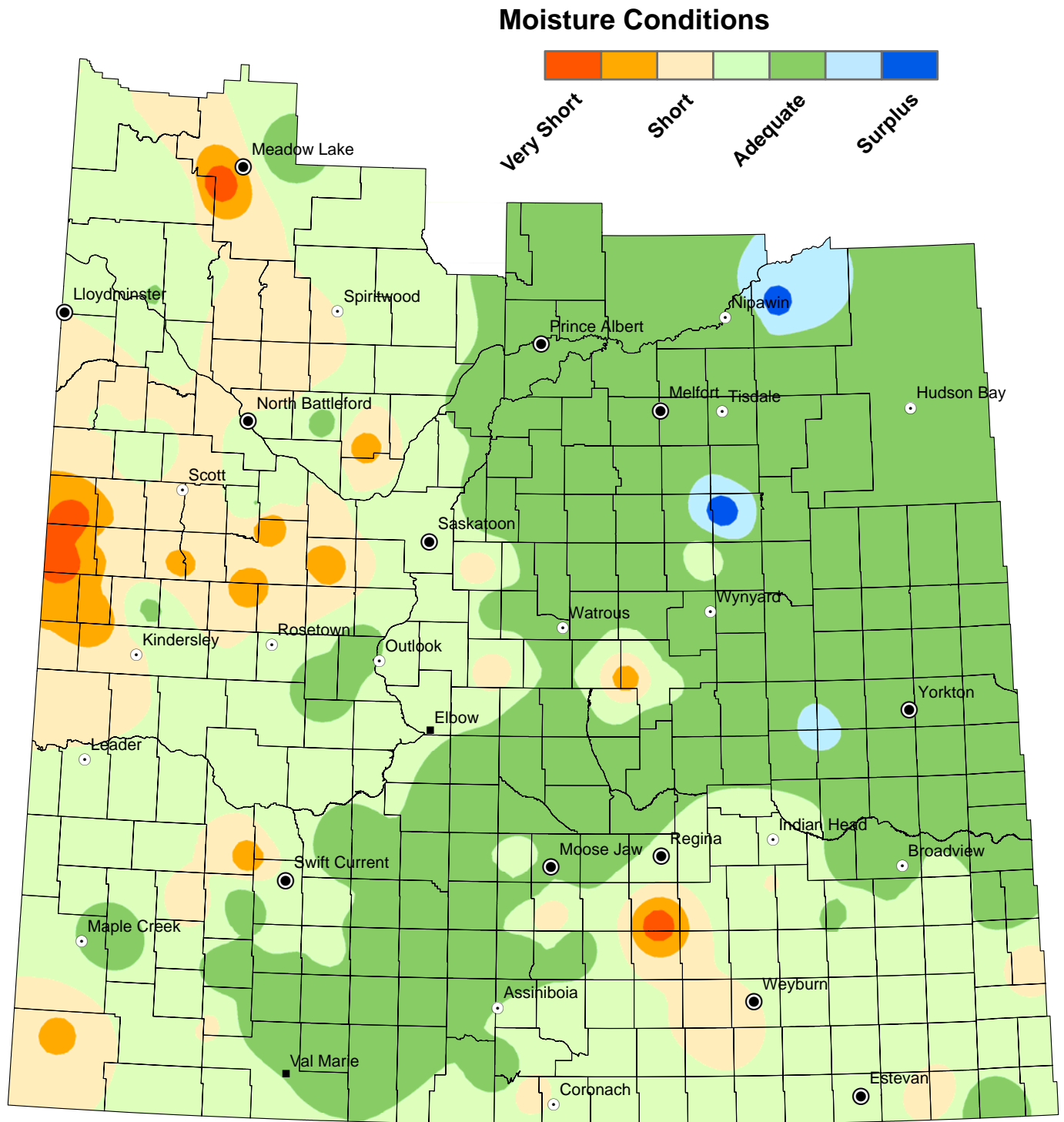
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Hay and Pasture Topsoil Moisture Conditions

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