

June 2*, 2011 Alfalfa Harvest Alert / Scissors-Cut Information

Central Minnesota Forage Council, U of M Extension, Farm and Business Cooperators

**Sampling Dates Vary with Memorial Day, Most RECENT Sample Date received is noted*

Chart starts with all farms for most recent test - followed by all tests for individual farms.

Farms are listed somewhat from south to north.

Watch 3-4 samples for trend line.

"Hgt" is height of tallest stems in 2 foot square sample area.

"Mat" is Maturity of most mature stem 1=Veg 2=Bud 3=Flower

Bold Italic are cut now, that I know

| * | Farm | County | Town | Hgt | Mat | PEAQ | RFV | RFQ | ADF | NDF | NDFd | CP |
|------|--|----------|----------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 5/30 | Stocker | Scott | Jordan | 26 | 2 | 170 | 201 | | 25.4 | 32.0 | | 25.4 |
| | Lambrech | Scott | Belle Plain | | | | | | | | | |
| 6/2 | Dreier | Carver | Norwood | 29 | 2 | 160 | 163 | | 30.1 | 37.1 | | 22.1 |
| 6/2 | Hoen | Carver | Bongard | 34 | 2 | 143 | 144 | | 32.7 | 41.1 | | 19.9 |
| 5/31 | Wandersee | Carver | Watertown | 27 | 2 | 169 | 161 | | 30.2 | 37.8 | | 22.7 |
| 6/1 | Anderson | McLeod | Lester Prairie | 26.6 | 2 | 169 | 173 | 179 | 28.0 | 36.1 | 46.5 | 24.0 |
| 6/1 | Bohn | Meeker | Cedar Mills | 25.6 | 2 | 174 | 142 | 143 | 32.8 | 41.6 | 45.2 | 19.3 |
| 5/30 | Poppler | Wright | Waverly | 31 | 2 | 160 | 180 | 187 | 28.4 | 34.5 | 42.2 | 22.1 |
| 5/31 | Krause | Wright | W Buffalo | 30 | 2 | 156 | 156 | | 32.0 | 38.1 | | 19.5 |
| 6/2 | <i>Gathje</i> | Stearns | Eden Valley | 26 | 2 | 170 | 212? | | 26.4 | 29.9 | | 25.9 |
| 6/2 | Maus | Stearns | S Freeport | 26 | 2 | 172 | 193 | | 28.6 | 32.1 | | 22.9 |
| 5/30 | <i>Frericks</i> | Stearns | N Melrose | 29 | 2 | 164 | 189 | | 28.1 | 33.0 | | 22.3 |
| 5/31 | <i>Winkelman</i> | Benton | E Duelm | 27 | 1.75 | 170 | 172 | 181 | 28.4 | 36.2 | 44.1 | 22.6 |
| 6/2 | <i>Scapanski</i> | Benton | NE Sauk Rapids | 29 | 2 | 160 | 204? | 224? | 25.4 | 31.6 | 47.3 | 24.8 |
| 5/31 | <i>O & S Dairy</i> | Benton | E Rice | 27.5 | 1.75 | 168 | 150 | 149 | 31.8 | 39.8 | 39.4 | 22.2 |
| 5/31 | <i>O&S Sample with old crop residue**</i> | | | 27.5 | 1.75 | 168 | 141 | 130 | 33.5 | 41.5 | 35.0 | 23.0 |
| 6/2 | Roerick | Morrison | SE Upsala | 27.5 | 2 | 168 | 184 | | 29.7 | 33.2 | | 23.8 |
| 6/2 | Pierz | Morrison | N Pierz | 28 | 2 | 163 | 158 | 174 | 29.5 | 38.7 | 48.6 | 26.1 |

**Old crop residue, grass, weeds can be a factor with variations that are difficult to predict. This can be quite variable from one sample to the next.

NDF at 40 is considered typical with 150 RFV Hay. We can gain 3-6 points NDF from the field to the feed manger. To have alfalfa in the feed manger at 40 or less, harvest might start with field samples at 34+.

Stocker - Scott Co - Jordan

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| Date | Height | Mat | PEAQ | RFV | RFQ | ADF | NDF | NDFd | CP | GDD | Notes |
|------|--------|-----|------|-----|-----|------|------|------|------|-----|-------|
| 5/16 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5/19 | 18 | 1 | 220 | 252 | | 21.5 | 26.6 | | 25/4 | | |
| 5/23 | 21 | 1 | 205 | 198 | | 25.1 | 32.6 | | 25.7 | | |
| 5/26 | 24 | 2 | 180 | 212 | | 25.7 | 30.2 | | 27.0 | | |
| 5/30 | 26 | 2 | 170 | 201 | | 25.4 | 32.0 | | 25.4 | | |

Lambrech - Scott Co - Belle Plain

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|------|--------|-----|------|-----|-----|------|------|------|------|-----|-------|
| 5/16 | 16 | 1 | 240 | 266 | | 21.7 | 25.2 | | 28.6 | | |
| 5/19 | 21 | 1 | 208 | 215 | | 25.4 | 29.9 | | 25.3 | | |
| 5/23 | 24 | 1 | 190 | 203 | | 26.7 | 31.1 | | 25.3 | | |
| 5/26 | 26 | 1 | 180 | 195 | | 27.8 | 32.1 | | 25.3 | | |
| 5/30 | | | | | | | | | | | |

Dreier - Carver Co - Norwood

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|------|--------|-----|------|-----|-----|------|------|------|------|-----|-------|
| 5/16 | 14 | 1 | 252 | 231 | | 23.1 | 28.5 | | 25.0 | | |
| 5/19 | 17 | 1 | 230 | 249 | | 21.6 | 26.9 | | 24.1 | | |
| 5/23 | 20 | 1 | 212 | 207 | | 25.5 | 31.0 | | 25.8 | | |
| 5/26 | 24 | 1 | 185 | 224 | | 25.8 | 28.7 | | 26.1 | | |
| 5/31 | 28 | 2 | 168 | 190 | | 27.9 | 32.9 | | 24.2 | | |
| 6/2 | 29 | 2 | 160 | 163 | | 30.1 | 37.1 | | 22.1 | | |

Hoen - Carver Co - Bongard

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|------|--------|-----|------|-----|-----|------|------|------|------|-----|-------|
| 5/16 | 17 | 1 | 230 | 241 | | 22.2 | 27.6 | | 26.2 | | |
| 5/19 | 19 | 1 | 217 | 237 | | 23.0 | 27.9 | | 25.7 | | |
| 5/23 | 23 | 2 | 185 | 179 | | 28.3 | 34.8 | | 25.2 | | |
| 5/26 | 27 | 2 | 167 | 192 | | 26.6 | 33.0 | | 23.4 | | |
| 5/31 | 32 | 2 | 150 | 153 | | 31.1 | 29.3 | | 20.0 | | |
| 6/2 | 34 | 2 | 143 | 144 | | 32.7 | 41.1 | | 19.9 | | |

Wandersee - Carver - Watertown

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|------|--------|-----|------|-----|-----|------|------|------|------|-----|-------|
| 5/16 | 15 | 1 | 245 | 257 | | 21.5 | 26.1 | | 29.2 | | |
| 5/19 | 18 | 1 | 225 | 243 | | 21.9 | 27.5 | | 25.0 | | |
| 5/23 | 21.5 | 1 | 205 | 191 | | 26.6 | 33.3 | | 24.4 | | |
| 5/26 | 24 | 1 | 190 | 194 | | 26.6 | 32.7 | | 24.4 | | |
| 5/31 | 27 | 2 | 169 | 161 | | 30.2 | 37.8 | | 22.7 | | |

Anderson - McLeod - Lester Prairie

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| 5/16 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5/19 | 14 | 1 | 252 | 242 | | 21.8 | 27.6 | | 24.1 | | |
| 5/23 | 20 | 2 | 202 | 186 | 188 | 26.9 | 33.9 | 46.3 | 24.6 | | |
| 5/26 | 23.1 | 2 | 185 | 171 | 159 | 30.2 | 35.6 | 40.6 | 24.2 | | |
| 6/1 | 26.6 | 2 | 169 | 173 | 179 | 28.0 | 36.1 | 46.5 | 24.0 | | |

Bohn - Meeker - Cedar Mills

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|------|--------|-----|------|-----|-----|------|------|------|------|-----|-------|
| 5/16 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5/19 | 17.6 | 1 | 227 | 238 | | 22.0 | 28.1 | | 25.9 | | |
| 5/23 | 18.9 | 2 | 207 | 193 | 195 | 27.1 | 32.7 | 45.8 | 25.1 | | |
| 5/26 | 21.7 | 2 | 191 | 186 | 189 | 27.8 | 33.5 | 46.5 | 22.6 | | |
| 6/1 | 25.6 | 2 | 174 | 142 | 143 | 32.8 | 41.6 | 45.2 | 19.3 | | |

Poppler - Wright Co - near Waverly

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|------|--------|-----|------|-----|-----|------|------|------|------|-----|-------|
| 5/16 | 18 | 1 | 225 | 275 | 299 | 20.3 | 24.7 | 49.5 | 27.6 | | |
| 5/19 | 20.5 | 1 | 208 | 268 | 284 | 20.0 | 25.5 | 45.9 | 26.3 | | |
| 5/23 | 25 | 1 | 185 | 182 | 191 | 27.6 | 34.4 | 44.5 | 23.8 | | |
| 5/26 | 28 | 1 | 171 | 181 | 186 | 27.5 | 34.7 | 42.2 | 23.1 | | |
| 5/30 | 21 | 2 | 160 | 180 | 187 | 28.4 | 34.5 | 42.2 | 22.1 | | |

Krause - Wright Co - west of Buffalo

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|------|--------|-----|------|-----|-----|------|------|------|------|-----|-------|
| 5/16 | 15.5 | 1 | >240 | 274 | | 20.8 | 24.7 | | 26.9 | | |
| 5/19 | 17 | 1 | 230 | 236 | | 23.7 | 27.8 | | 25.5 | | |
| 5/23 | 21 | 1 | 205 | 193 | | 27.8 | 32.3 | | 24.3 | | |
| 5/26 | 24.5 | 2 | 178 | 201 | | 26.1 | 31.7 | | 23.2 | | |
| 5/31 | 30 | 2 | 156 | 156 | | 32.0 | 38.1 | | 19.5 | | |

Gathje - Stearns Co- northeast of Eden Valley

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|------|--------|-----|------|------|-----|------|------|------|------|-----|------------|
| 5/19 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5/23 | 18 | 1 | 224 | 226 | | 24.8 | 28.6 | | 26.7 | | |
| 5/26 | 22 | 1 | 200 | 243 | | 23.8 | 27.0 | | 26.0 | | |
| 5/31 | 25 | 2 | 175 | 212 | | 26.3 | 30.6 | | 25.4 | | |
| 6/2 | 26 | 2 | 170 | 212? | | 26.4 | 29.9 | | 25.9 | | Cut June 2 |

Gathje - Grass Hay

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| Date | Height | Mat | PEAQ | RFV | RFQ | ADF | NDF | NDFd | CP | GDD | Notes |
|------|--------|-----------|------|-----|-----|------|------|------|------|-----|----------------|
| 5/19 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5/23 | 18 | TDN 64 | | 102 | 121 | 34.0 | 56.6 | 67.2 | 19.7 | | NDFd48 hr |
| 5/26 | 18 | TDN 60.7 | | 114 | 134 | 30.7 | 53.2 | 67.2 | 17.6 | | NDFd48 hr |
| 5/31 | 20 | TDN 55.25 | | 94 | 110 | 35.8 | 60.9 | 62.3 | 15.4 | | NDFd48 hr 84?? |
| 6/2 | | | | | | | | | | | |

Maus - Stearns Co - south of Freeport

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|------|--------|-----|------|-----|-----|------|-------|------|------|-----|------------------------|
| 5/16 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5/19 | 15 | 1 | 240 | 279 | | 20.8 | 24.2 | | 24.8 | | |
| 5/23 | 18 | 1 | 224 | 221 | | 25.6 | 29.1 | | 25.2 | | |
| 5/26 | 20.5 | 1 | 208 | 268 | | 21.3 | 25.11 | | 24.3 | | 200-220 RFV more real? |
| 5/30 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 6/2 | 26 | 2 | 172 | 193 | | 28.6 | 32.1 | | 22.9 | | |

Frericks - Stearns Co 4 miles - north of Melrose

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|------|--------|-----|------|-----|-----|------|------|------|------|-----|-------|
| 5/16 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5/19 | 17 | 1 | 237 | 258 | | 21.9 | 25.9 | | 26.4 | | |
| 5/23 | 22 | 1 | 211 | 191 | | 27.3 | 32.9 | | 25.1 | | |
| 5/26 | 24 | 2 | 188 | 227 | | 24.0 | 28.8 | | 24.5 | | |
| 5/30 | 29 | 2 | 164 | 189 | | 28.1 | 33.0 | | 22.3 | | |

Cut June 1?

Winkelman - Benton Co - east of Duelm

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|------|--------|------|------|-----|-----|------|------|------|------|-----|--------|
| 5/16 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5/19 | 15 | 1 | 240 | 259 | 275 | 20.6 | 26.2 | 46.1 | 25.2 | | |
| 5/23 | 21 | 1 | 205 | 184 | 191 | 26.4 | 34.4 | 44.7 | 25.2 | | |
| 5/26 | 22.3 | 1.2 | 190 | 218 | 243 | 23.3 | 30.2 | 50.1 | 24.3 | | |
| 5/31 | 27 | 1.75 | 170 | 172 | 181 | 28.4 | 36.2 | 44.1 | 22.6 | | Lodged |

Cut May 31

D Scapanski - Benton Co - 8 miles NE of Sauk Rapids

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| Date | Height | Mat | PEAQ | RFV | RFQ | ADF | NDF | NDFd | CP | GDD | Notes |
|------|--------|-----|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-----|--------|
| 5/16 | 14.3 | 1 | >240 | 276 | | 19.5 | 24.9 | 54.1 | 25.6 | | Notes |
| 5/19 | 17 | 1 | 230 | 225 | 245 | 22.7 | 29.5 | 49.6 | 25.5 | | |
| 5/23 | 21 | 1 | 205 | 188 | 197 | 26.4 | 33.8 | 45.5 | 26.0 | | |
| 5/26 | 23.7 | 1.3 | 186 | 198 | 214 | 25.8 | 32.3 | 47.3 | 23.1 | | |
| 5/31 | 27.5 | 2 | 166 | 168 | 173 | 29.7 | 36.4 | 42.5 | 23.6 | | Lodged |
| 6/2 | 29 | 2 | 160 | 204? | 224? | 25.4 | 31.6 | 47.3 | 24.8 | | |

Cut June 2

O & S Dairy - Benton Co - East of Rice

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|------|--------|------|------|-----|-----|------|------|-------|------|-----|---------------------|
| 5/16 | 14.5 | 1 | >240 | 284 | 304 | 19.4 | 24.2 | 52.75 | 28.2 | | |
| 5/19 | 17.5 | 1 | 227 | 242 | 249 | 22.0 | 27.6 | 43.2 | 26.0 | | |
| 5/23 | 22 | 1 | 205 | 150 | 173 | 32.5 | 39.4 | 58.2 | 24.2 | | RFV ~200 more real? |
| 5/26 | 25 | 1.3 | 182 | 195 | 200 | 26.3 | 32.7 | 42.9 | 24.1 | | |
| 5/31 | 27.5 | 1.75 | 168 | 150 | 149 | 31.8 | 39.8 | 39.4 | 22.2 | | Lodged |

Cut June 1

O & S Dairy - WITH OLD CROP RESIDUE

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|------|--------|------|------|-----|-----|------|------|------|------|-----|--------|
| 5/16 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5/19 | 17.5 | 1 | 227? | 163 | 162 | 29.4 | 37.7 | 40.6 | 23.8 | | |
| 5/23 | 22 | 1 | 205? | 153 | 143 | 31.7 | 39.1 | 36.8 | 24.9 | | |
| 5/26 | 25 | 1.3 | 182? | 124 | 124 | 36.3 | 45.4 | 38.7 | 19.8 | | |
| 5/31 | 27.5 | 1.75 | 168 | 141 | 130 | 33.5 | 41.5 | 35.0 | 23.0 | | Lodged |

Cut June 1

Roerick - Morrison Co - southeast of Upsala

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| 5/16 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5/19 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5/23 | 20 | 1 | 211 | 207 | | 26.7 | 30.7 | | 26.0 | | |
| 5/26 | 21 | 1 | 205 | 263 | | 22.5 | 25.2 | | 27.4 | | |
| 5/31 | 25 | 1 | 185 | 170 | | 31.5 | 35.1 | | 23.1 | | |
| 6/2 | 27.5 | 2 | 168 | 184 | | 29.7 | 33.2 | | 23.8 | | |

Pierz - Morrison Co - north of Pierz

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| 5/16 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5/19 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5/23 | 21.5 | 1 | 204 | 221 | | 23.5 | 29.7 | | 27.8 | | Ave of 2 |
| 5/26 | 24 | 1 | 188 | 220 | 244 | 23.9 | 29.6 | 50.2 | 25.9 | | |
| 5/31 | 25 | 1 | 185 | 187 | 200 | 27.2 | 33.7 | 45.7 | 26.7 | | |
| 6/2 | 28 | 2 | 163 | 158 | 174 | 29.5 | 38.7 | 48.6 | 26.1 | | |

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NOTES

5/16 Some people have wondered if a shorter than normal crop at this point, with coarse stems, is more mature related to its height. Lab testss show the feed quality is NOT lower than we'd expect for this height, maybe better. Remember we like to have 3 samples for confidence related to possible sampling variations.

Cool weather tends to reduces fiber, increase fiber digestibility, and reduce protein.

These field measured 23 to 26 inches on May 17 last year.

5/23 Common reports of 2.5 inches of rain from last Friday through Sunday. Can find the beginning of buds forming on some stems in Benton County samples if I pick away at the top of some stems. Would not call it bud stage yet. It looks like next week will be the week we'd like to see some good weather and field conditions for making hay planting corn, planting soybeans. Planters may get parked for hay making where dairy quality hay is important. Barry Visser at Poppler's: "buds on the verge."

Alfalfa Weevil. Eggs start to hatch at about 300 growing degree days based on a 48 degree minimum. The MN/WI GDD model at <http://www.soils.wisc.edu/uwex> shows Stearns, Benton and Morrison Counties in a area with between 200 and 300 GDD. We'd start to look for larvae after 300 GDD. There may be warmer pocekts in communities that have reach 300 GDD.

5/26

WEATHER: Extension Climatologist Mark Seeley Wrote May 25: Forecast models show a significant warm-up following Memorial Weekend . Temps in the 70's maybe 80's and in 50's at night.

First few days of June (1-3) should be relatively dry, followed by chances for rainfall June 4-6.

Then a second longer dry period should prevail June 6-12 in most areas of Minnesota, except SE areas where passing low pressure systems will bring daily chances for showers. Perhaps the drier intervals will allow getting more field work done.

ALFALFA WEEVIL: I did see some pin hole feeding in some leaves at the legume/grass trial plot near St. Joseph on May 26. Growing Degree Days are too low yet for a large amount of hatching to have occurred yet.

It will be prudent to watch for AW in second crop regrowth and following. It is important to NOT spray for insects unless standard population thresholds are reached.

A nice summary of Alfalfa Weevil information can be found by using Google to search for "Minnesota Extension Alfalfa Weevil ". One helpful item can be found directly at:
http://www.extension.umn.edu/Forages/pdfs/alfalfa_insects_forage_days_09.pdf

5/31

ALFALFA WEEVIL. Today the MN WI Alfalfa Weevil Model shows the 300 GDD line running approximately east and west from about Morris through St. Cloud and Cambridge now. This is the point where we'd expect in a normal year that a fair amount of egg hatch has taken place. With a cool spring the hatch could be sporadic because of variable temperature conditons. I saw two adult weevils while scissors cut sampling this morning.

GRASS ALFLAFA MIX. I sampled a field this morning weighed up about 34% grass and 66% alfalfa with the tallest alfalfa stems about 22 inches and early bud. It tested 149 RFV and 169 RFQ with NDF at 40.5 and protein at 21.7. Cherney' s chart shows that he'd expect NDF at 37-38 based on estimating 34% grass and alfalfa at 22 inches. Close enough to know it would make very good feed if it could be harvested now. Like many neighbors they'll make the best of it when they can.

6/2

Hay harvest is underway. As is sometime the case fields can be variable in the same neighborhood. Consider YOUR crop, feeding strategies, soil conditions, hunch about the weather and other priorities.

Crop Consultant Rick Gilbertson, in the St. Cloud/Rice areas reports yellowing alfalfa in low spots, says alfalfa is like other plants in saturated soil too long - yellow. These areas could be subject to further decline over time.

Alfalfa Weevil. Bruce Potter at Lamberton sent a note today: Alfalfa Weevil are doing fine at Lambeton, 10 or more larva/sweep here but only 30% tip feeding.

I found 1 larvae in about 20 sweeps at one field here in Benton County this morning. Our hatch can be expected to be behind Lamberton. People who are cutting now should watch second crop regrowth and watch throughout the second crop season.