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Planting in northwestern Macon County

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Most advanced corn emergence in northwestern Macon County

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Most advanced soybean emergence eastern Macon County

Which of the following best describes current conditions in this county?

Mildly Dry (soil is drier than normal, plant growth may have slowed)

If conditions are on the dry end, which of the following US Drought Monitor categories best fit current conditions. To better judge the fit, see explanation of USDM categories here:

<https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About/AbouttheData/DroughtClassification.aspx>

Near Normal (Dnada)

Quick synopsis of conditions that will appear in the main feed

On May 3rd, on a crossroad survey of a 60 mile loop across northern and eastern Macon County, 80 percent of fields were planted. Corn emergence out-paced soybean emergence by about 6 to 1. The ratio

varied greatly by neighborhood. The only field activity observed was widely scattered planting, dust clouds made it easy to spot.