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Wind damage in wheat field near Pearl City

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>

Abnormally Dry (D0)

Quick synopsis of conditions that will appear in the main feed

Much of the corn in NW IL was starting to roll and pineapple on late last week. The rain on June 24 -25 and late this week along with cooler conditions reduced this impact. Many fields of corn and soybean field seem to be behind in height and canopy closure at this point. Some of the early planted field which received timely showers during May and June look more normal. This really shows the spotty distribution of late spring showers.

Wheat fields are starting to turn. Late last week, I did notice wind damage in a couple of wheat fields between Pearl City and Freeport. The picture included shows what appeared to be straight line wind damage. Another field had more swirled and random damage.