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Field Photo Upload Caption 1

Adjacent corn (left) and soybean (right) fields at approximately V1 and VC stages, respectively

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Cover cropped field with split termination timings

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Wheat at anthesis (flowering)

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

Mildly Wet (soil is wetter than normal, local vegetation is healthy)

Quick synopsis of conditions that will appear in the main feed

Conditions in central to southeast Vermilion County are a little dryer than we are a bit further west in Champaign County. I did not see any ponded areas in fields during my transect, although there were some low areas that were a bit on the muddy side. In that part of the county, approximately 30% of fields have emerged and another 30% has been recently planted. Of what has emerged, fields tended to be fairly evenly split between corn and soybeans, with possibly a few more corn acres out of the ground. Of the remainder, most no-till ground has been sprayed, with a few exceptions. Emerged corn and soy fields ranged from VE to V1-2 for corn and VE to VC for soybeans. I did stumble upon a couple wheat fields, both of which appeared to be at full flower or just past. I also found several cover crop fields in the south-central

part of the county, most of which had been terminated a week or two prior. The remaining cover crop fields I saw were likely recently sprayed or on the docket to be done soon, as I saw one rig running and the operator hoping for the rains to hold off a bit longer.