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## Corn

Welcome to weather market 2021 as we traded a .32 cent range to close down .13 at 6.62 for July futures. Weather pattern changes from Sunday into Wednesday of next week are not very great. There will actually be some short-term ridge building back into the northern Plains briefly Monday into Tuesday returning 90- and near 100-degree heat to the northern Plains and Canada's eastern Prairies briefly before a new frontal system comes along Wednesday into Thursday inducing a new round of showers and thunderstorms. Ethanol production for the week averaged 1.034 million barrels per day which is up 2.27% vs last week and up 35.16% from a year ago. Farmer selling remains slow with basis under pressure not only at the gulf but also domestically. BAGE data released Thursday shows nationwide 20/21 Corn conditions are 49% good to excellent, 37% fair, and 14% poor to very poor vs last week 51% good to excellent, 38% fair, and 11% poor to very poor. Global food prices climbed 4.8% from April to May, with prices now up a dramatic 39.7% from year-ago, according to the food price index released by the Food & Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO). There were no daily export sales from USDA this morning, and the last flash was a week ago and the last one to China was two weeks ago. USDA corn export sales tomorrow are estimated to be (200,000)-400,000MT for 20/21 and 300,000-900,000MT for 21/22 compared to 555,918MT a week ago for 20/21 and 5,691,349MT for 21/22.

## Beans

Beans weaker on the day with SN down 13 ¼ c. Old / new spreads continue to narrow with SX down 10 ¼ c. Board crush continues to trade around 70c in the July which is impressive considering the weakness in bean premiums. SN finished 40c off highs as the midday GFS model turned wetter with the EU model dry and that was enough to turn the market lower. The range today was 45 ½ c. Profit taking in bean oil has pulled it off its highest levels in a decade. Interesting to see US bean oil board at historic highs and Argentina exports having to discount oil to sell it. It seems Argentina's traditional buyers (China & India) have no interest in buying these levels. Paranagua paper firmed but July is still trading at -5N. Argentina cargos are trading at -40N. Brazil is moving to 13% biodiesel mix after being reduced to 10%. China bean stocks are sitting at 11-week highs with stocks at 5.42 mmt as Brazil loadings are landing. Export sales are expected to be a negative 100,000 to positive 200,000 for old crop beans and 0 – 400,000 for new crop. Meal is expected to be 100,000 – 300,000 mt with 0 – 75,000 mt for new crop. Oil is expected to be negative 10,000 to positive 25,000 in old crop.

## Wheat

The dollar is higher and most all commodities traded are lower. At the time of this writing hogs are an exception and they are higher. WN is 11 ¼ cents lower settling at 6.76 ¼, closing below the 20 and 50-day moving averages with a day's trading range of 30 cents. KWN is 9 ½ lower at 6.24 ¼ closing below the 20, 50, and 100-day averages in a 29-cent range and MWN is 2 ½ lower at 7.80 ½ remaining above all averages with a 43 cents range. KWN maintains about a 40-cent discount to CN, which is the widest premium for corn going back to 1983-84. US HRW is \$20 mt premium to Black Sea wheat for July/Aug. Black Sea wheat is \$35 mt discount to Black Sea corn. The price spread US wheat to corn may look like record wheat feed use, but the supply of wheat may say otherwise. Nevertheless, the downside risk for wheat may be dependent in large part on the price direction of corn. FAO has the May food index at its highest level in 10 years. Export sales estimates are 200,000 to 600,000 for old and new combined. The forecast remains challenging for spring wheat.

CASH BASIS BIDS	Nearby	July
<b>Corn Cif Nola</b>	78+N	63+N
Truck Hennepin	31+N	17+N
Truck St Louis	50+N	36+N
Iowa Interior UP	24+N	24+N
Columbus CSX	42+N	42+N
Fort Wayne NS	32+N	32+N
Dlvd Hereford	NB	NB
Dlvd PNW	120+N	120+N
KC RAIL	50+N	50+N
Nebraska Grp 3	25+N	25+N
Dlvd Decatur	37+N	43+N
<b>Wheat Cif Nola</b>	52+N	52+N
<b>Beans Cif Nola</b>	65+N	68+N
Truck Hennepin	13+N	17+N
Truck St Louis	33+N	37+N
Dlvd Decatur	150+X	160+X
Dlvd Des Moines	15+N	15+N
<b>IL R Barge Frt.</b>	310	305
<b>BNSF Shuttle Frt.</b>	-\$350	-\$275