

## **Friday Feedback for Friday, August 4, 2023**

### **Ag Yield and August Fruit:**

Just a reminder that August Ag Yield and August Fruit (Michigan only) are due into CAPI by 11:59 pm on Sunday, August 6th. August is the first forecast for corn, soybeans, dry beans and hay and the August Crop Report is a very closely watched report. The work you are doing on the Ag Yield and Fruit surveys is very important. Please make every effort to get responses from every operation assigned to you prior to Sunday evening.

### **Update your iPadOS to 16.6 – Morris:**

The current iPadOS (16.6) is approved to run on all enumerator iPad devices. Please have all enumerators update to this new iPadOS by Friday, August 18th.

A good cellular connection and/or WIFI is needed for a speedier install. Enumerators need to have their iPad fully charged before attempting to install this iPadOS. Expect the install to take ample time to complete. (it has taken around 30/40 mins to download). If you are having trouble then Go into Settings and turn “off” and then “on” again your WIFI or Cellular connection, which ever option you are using to update.

Lastly, with iPadOS 16.6 you need to continue to disable the newest feature, “Rapid Security Response”. To disable this feature, go to “Settings” → “General” → “Software Update” → “Automatic Updates.” Once there tap the slider next to “System Responses & System Files” to turn it from green to gray. That will disable the features. Also, double check that “Download iPadOS Updates” is also disabled by taping the slider from green to gray. If you have any questions, please contact Brooke Morris, NASDA Coordinator.

### **Upcoming Due Date Reminders:**

Please be mindful of the following due dates:

- Ag Yield Enumeration: July 28 – August 6
- Fruit Production Inquiry Enumeration: July 28 – August 6
- Potato Disposition Enumeration: August 1 – August 25
- Small Grains CAPS Enumeration:
  - Indiana/Ohio: August 15 - October 7
  - Michigan: August 30- October 7
- Agricultural Survey (September) Enumeration: August 30 – September 13

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## **Friday Feedback for Friday, August 11, 2023**

### **Ag Yield and August Fruit Results:**

Thanks to all those who worked on the August Ag Yield and Michigan Fruit surveys. The results were published at noon today. Here is what we learned:

Indiana farmers anticipate record corn, soybean and wheat yields this year.

- Indiana's average corn yield is forecast at 195 bushels per acre, up 5 bushels from the previous year. Total production is forecast at 1.05 billion bushels, up 8 percent from last year on both higher yields and more acres planted.

- Soybean yield is forecast at 60 bushels per acre, up 2.5 bushels from 2022. Total production is forecast at 329 million bushels, down 2 percent from last year on fewer acres planted.
- Winter wheat yield is estimated at 90 bushels per acre, up 14 from the previous forecast and 9 bushels above last year. Winter wheat production is forecast at 32.4 million bushels, up 67 percent from last year due to record yields and more acres planted.

A dry May and June hampered grower expectations for hay, soybean and dry bean yields in Michigan.

- Michigan's average corn yield is forecast at 170 bushels per acre, 2 bushels above last year. Total production is forecast at 349 million bushels, up 4 percent from last year. Production is up on a larger yield and more planted acres.
- Soybean yield is forecast at 46 bushels per acre, down 1 bushel from last year. Total production is forecast at 94 million bushels, down 11 percent from last year. Total production is down due to smaller anticipated yields and fewer acres planted.
- Winter Wheat yield is estimated at 83 bushels per acre, unchanged from last year. Total production is forecast at 46.5 million bushels, up 35 percent from last year due to more acres harvested.
- Producers of dry beans are expecting their crop to yield 2,200 pounds per acre, down 200 pounds from last year. Production is expected to be 4.69 million hundredweight, down 9 percent from last year due to a smaller anticipated yield this year.
- Michigan's 2023 apple production forecast is 1.15 billion pounds, down 15 percent from last year's record high. The Michigan peach production forecast is 11,000 tons, down 4 percent from last year. Both the Michigan apple and peach crops had a very good Spring with no major freezes or frosts that reduced the crops. Precipitation in July benefitted both crops.

Ohio farmers anticipate harvesting record soybean and wheat yields in 2023.

- Ohio's average corn yield is forecast at 191 bushels per acre, 4 bushels above last year. Total production is forecast at 625 million bushels, up 5 percent from last year.
- Soybean yield is forecast at 57 bushels per acre, up 1.5 bushels from last year. If realized, this will be a record high. Total production is forecast at 278 million bushels, down 1 percent from last year on fewer harvested acres.
- Winter Wheat yield is forecast at 91 bushels per acre, up 12 bushels from last year. If realized, this will be a record high. Total production is forecast at 50 million bushels.

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Please be mindful of the following due dates:

- Potato Disposition Enumeration: August 1 – August 25
- Small Grains CAPS Enumeration
  - Indiana/Ohio: August 15 - October 7
  - Michigan: August 30 - October 7
- Corn/Soybean OY Fieldwork (IN & OH only): August 25 – September 1
- September Ag Yield: August 30 – September 6
- Turkeys Raised: August 30 – September 12
- September Agricultural Production Survey: August 30 – September 13
- September Hogs: August 30 – September 14

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## **Friday Feedback for Friday, August 18, 2023**

### **August/September Survey Materials:**

UPS packets containing information for late August/early September surveys will be shipped to enumerators next Tuesday or Wednesday. If you were assigned work for September Crops APS, September Hogs, September Ag Yield, Turkeys Raised, or Small Grain CAPS, please be on the lookout for your materials. If you are in need of supplies, please submit your requests no later than Sunday, August 20 via the NASDA order form [LINK](#) so that we can include your requested supplies with your survey materials.

### **September APS Wheat Classes:**

As we approach data collection for September Crops APS, please keep in mind that almost all winter wheat grown in Indiana and Ohio is soft red, while in Michigan, wheat producers grow both soft red and soft white winter wheat. If you speak to a grower who tells you they grew hard red or hard white winter wheat, please probe further to verify and leave comments in CAPI to explain the situation.

### **ARMS Phase II and Fruit Chemical Use:**

Preparations have begun for ARMS Phase II (all states) and the Fruit Chemical Use Survey (MI Only) scheduled to start around October 1. The ARMS will be a Production Practices and Cost Report (PPCR, aka “the long form”) focusing on soybeans and oats. The Fruit Chemical Use Survey will focus on apples, blueberries, tart cherries, and peaches. More details will be forthcoming.

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## **Friday Feedback for Friday, August 25, 2023**

### **New Supervisor in Michigan: – Morris/Kalaus**

We are excited to announce Roy Vanover as the new supervisor in East Central Michigan, replacing Diane McPhee. Roy brings a wealth of experience, inside and outside of NASDA, and is ready to hit the ground running. We thank Diane for her many contributions to NASS and NASDA as supervisor over the years and are honored to have her stay onboard as an enumerator.

### **Corn and Soybean OY: – Erickson/Segelhorst**

We appreciate your hard work on this year's Corn and Soybean OY surveys! Thank you for diligently inputting your Form-A entries into CAPI. Form-A interviews may be attempted as needed throughout the survey period and should NOT be submitted as inaccessible. If someone is still inaccessible on November 1, please submit the Form-A as a refusal at that time. Please continue to accurately enter the date and status codes in CAPI.

You probably noticed that the Form-B's were populated to the iPad earlier this week. This was done to allow you extra time to submit the Form-B for refusals and lost samples. For refusals and lost samples, please submit the Form-B using the same status code that you used for the Form-A.

Fieldwork for this month begins on Friday, August 25. Data entry within CAPI for September Form-B will remain open through Saturday, September 2. As you lay out units in corn and soybean fields, please monitor yourself for signs of physical fatigue and dehydration. Please prudently review the safety precautions related to potential pesticide applications which are noted in the Interviewer's Manuals. Thank you!

### **CAPI Application Push Details: – Morris**

A new CAPI App was pushed out overnight, Thursday, August 24. All active iPads configured on InTune received this push.

The push will include:

- Fix for Google's unscheduled update for the latest iPadOS. This prevented users from accessing the sample (assignments) from the CAPI App.

After the push, enumerators can return to using CAPI App via the icons on their iPad home screen. If you have been using the URL to log into CAPI, you must logout of the CAPI Production URL application, close **all** open Safari tabs, swipe closed Safari, then clear Safari website history under "Settings/Safari". After opening the new CAPI App Icon, tap "Clear Preferences" on the CAPI login screen before login.

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