

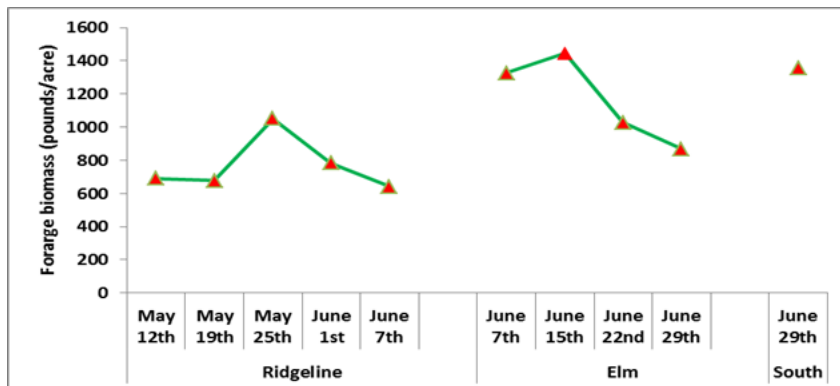
Good Day AGMers,

The warm spell continues and we're looking forward for rain. Six-weeks fescue dominates much of the scenery as it has this time of year for the last three years. Will this week's showers aid the warm season grasses to rise above the light brown sea?

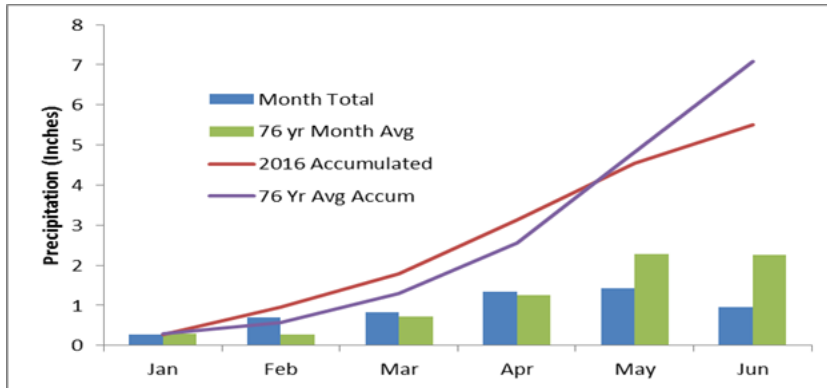
Have a great 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend, folks!

### Highlights of Happenings

- **Data Day for the AGM project is scheduled for July 5 from 9-3.** We'll meet at the SGRC for a CPER tour in the morning and take a look at some data in the afternoon. We look forward to seeing you and let us know if you have any questions?
- The AGM herd detoured through the HQ scales on their way to South pasture on Thursday. **The average daily gain in the herd was 3.45 pounds.** The steer health inspections resulted in only **one case of pink-eye** for the entire herd.
- **Our exit VOR average in the Elm pasture was 3.7cm or 870 pounds per acre. The entry VOR average in the South pasture was 5.7 or 1350 pounds per acre.** The 24-day limit will be reached on July 24<sup>th</sup>. See below.



- **June ended with 0.96 inches of precipitation.** This is about 1.25 inches below the June average. For the year we are about 1.5 in below average. See below.



For detailed precipitation data, maps, last year's updates, scientist bios, and AGM documents, see our website: <http://www.ars.usda.gov/Research/docs.htm?docid=25733> . Remember to send your questions, concerns, and ideas my way and I'll do my best to have them addressed in next week's email.

### Photos



**Above: All four weeks in the Elm pasture**

On behalf of the USDA-ARS-Rangeland Resources Research Unit, I thank you all for your continued participation in this project.

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