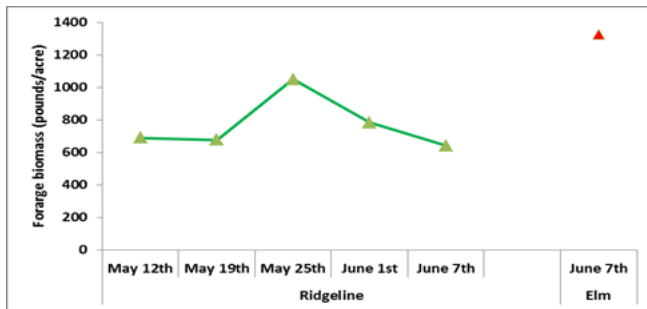


Good Day AGMers,

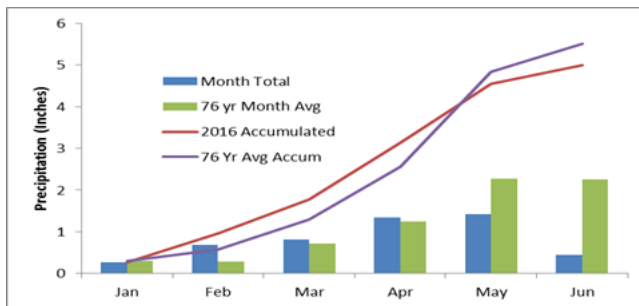
This week, we have the big herd movin' and the veg crews groovin' as sun beats down and the fescue turns brown. Stay cool out there, folks! Reminder: If you have the ability to summon cloud cover, please do so between noon and 3pm. Much appreciated :)

Highlights of Happenings:

- Yesterday, the **AGM herd was moved to the Elm pasture** as the 24 day threshold was met in Ridgeline pasture. All seemed well with the big herd's stay in Ridgeline as there were no reported health issues, only minor mix-ups, and only one water shortage.
- **The exit VOR average for the Ridgeline pasture was 2.8cm or 640 pounds/acre. The pre-entry VOR for the Elm pasture was 5.7cm or 1350 pounds per acre.** See Chart Below.



- **June's total precipitation is 0.45 inches**, so far. The 76 year average for all of June is 2.25 inches. For the year, we are about 0.5 inches below average. See Chart 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 do my best to have them addressed in next week's email.

Photos



David and Shakota rocking the line-point intercepts in 20SE.



Pasture conditions in Ridgeline last week (left) and this week (right).



Pasture condition in Elm this week.

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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