

Product Condition Alert

January 18th, 2019

Row crops are struggling as dark rain clouds continue to fill the sky in Yuma and surrounding areas. Harvesting crews are on stand by, as today appears to be the final day of rain in the area. With fields full of mud and crops swimming, mildew and decay may be an issue our quality team will need to work through. With the rain comes limited supplies, compromised quality and increasing market prices for the next 2-3 weeks.

Commodities the most vulnerable are **Cauliflower, Broccoli, Celery and Green Onions.**

Processed items will be even harder to come by so we will be substituting whole head as inventory depletes on florets, followed by possible pro-rates depending on the update harvesting crews will provide after they're able to get their feet on the field and assess the waterlogged commodities.

Future forecasts in Yuma look favorable with no rain and no freezing temperatures in the 10 day prediction. We anticipate markets to begin adjusting during this time but must remain patient to determine what kind of quality the harvesting crews will be able to pull from the fields. We will continue to provide crop updates as we receive them.