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# Morning Ag Markets

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Very aggressive short covering came in the livestock market yesterday to push cattle and hog futures triple digits higher. Some outside market influence could have helped also with equities higher, crude higher and even the Chinese stock market higher. Live cattle futures snapped the nine sessions in a row of lower trade. Boxed beef prices have stabilized the past few days helping to provide support as well. As expected, showlists are coming in slightly larger in all regions as packers have been light buyers the past couple weeks. Most are calling for steady cash feedlot trade now for the week. Cash hogs are starting to come back around as futures continue a steady climb higher.

Cattle slaughter from Tuesday estimated at 110,000 head down 3,000 from a week ago and down 4,000 from a year ago.

Boxed beef cutout values steady on moderate demand and offerings.

Choice Cutout\_\_232.15 -.12

Select Cutout\_\_228.87 -.01

Feeder Index:\_\_214.83 -.87

Hog slaughter from Tuesday estimated at 424,000 head, up 2,000 from a week ago and up 18,000 from a year ago.

Lean Index.\_\_78.36 -.17 Pork carcass cutout\_\_86.21 +1.35 IA-S.MN direct avg\_\_76.40 +2.26 National Average\_\_74.76 +1.60

August live cattle punched through \$144 but so far \$142 has held. Look for futures to trade the \$147 to \$143 range this week. August feeders are similar breaking the \$210 line but will hopefully find a home between that and \$215 the

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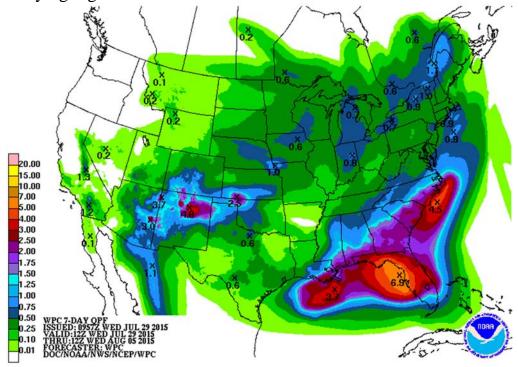
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remainder of this week. August lean hogs finally broke through the \$79 topside resistance yesterday and now \$80 today. \$85.05 was the recent bell curve high back in mid-May with support at \$78.50 and \$77.

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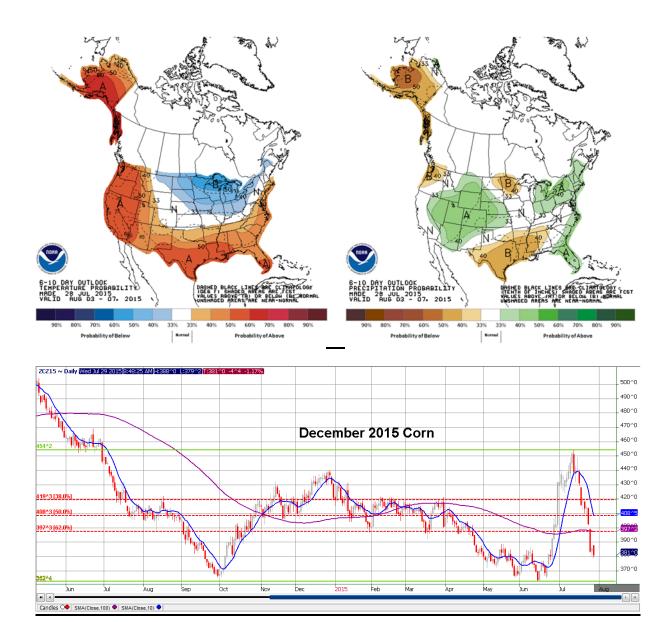
Turnaround Tuesday or just a dead cat bounce in the grains will get answered in today's sessions. Grains have been very oversold and due for some relief. Soybeans led the grains higher all day as conditions were expected to improve but left unchanged in Monday's crop progress and conditions report. Corn was the most reluctant but was finally pulled higher into the close. Cash corn and wheat trade around the World continues to trade at big discounts to US offers right through the new crop period when US should be more competitive. US beans are more in line with other origins and trade has been more active for Oct-Nov over the last 10 days. Domestically, soybean crushers have been pushing nearby basis to secure more supply before most will take their annual maintenance shutdown sometime in the month of August.

Overnight all grains drifted lower with corn down the most at 4 to 5 lower, soybeans down 1 to 2 and wheat down 2 to 4. So no holding the turnaround. Weather forecast continues to be a negative over the market along with worries about demand going forward. Corn struggling with a huge long Fund position that is carrying big losses.



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