Southwest Region
Rainfall and cool conditions have delayed harvest. A few mornings saw temperatures drop below zero degrees Celsius.
Cereal harvest ranges from 70% complete north of Highway #1 to 90% complete south of Highway #1. Yields to date are average to above average with good quality but lower than average protein. There are reports of barley not being selected for malt due to quality issues. Canola harvest ranges from 65 to 80% complete with yields average to above average and good quality. Flax harvest is 25 to 35% complete with good quality. There are reports of harvesting issues as straw is staying green making it difficult to straight cut. Sunflowers are turning. Corn silage harvest is progressing and yields are average to date.
Pastures continue to be in fair to good condition. The recent cool temperatures have resulted in forage growth to stop. Several producers are starting to move cattle to pastures that have not been grazed to date or to harvest crop land for grazing.
Some fall tillage work has been completed but very little fall fertilizer applications have occurred to date.

Northwest Region
Showers over the week brought 10 mm of precipitation in Ste. Rose, 13 mm in Ethelbert, 17 mm in Grandview and up to 25 mm around Roblin. A few areas received light localized frosts but no killing frosts to date.
The majority of cereals have now been harvested. Wheat yields averaged 45 to 50 bu/acre, barley averaged 70 to 75 bu/acre and oats averaged 85 to 90 bu/acre. Ergot is being reported in the later harvested wheat. Some areas still have 75% of canola left to harvest. Yields have been averaging 40 to 45 bu/acre. Producers are keeping a close watch on their canola bins where it was harvested under high temperatures.
Fall field work and heavy harrowing are underway.
Pastures are in fair to good condition for this time of the year. Producers are waiting for a killing frost so cattle can be moved onto second cut alfalfa.

Central Region
Harvest progress has slowed due to showers and cooler temperatures. Rainfall amounts range from 10 to 15 mm up to 20 to 30 mm in the Somerset-Pilot Mound area.
The majority of cereals have been harvested, ranging from 90 to 100% complete. Canola harvest is over 90% complete. A number of flax fields are left to be harvested; yield reports to date range from 20 to 40 bu/acre.
Edible bean harvest ranges from 50 to 70% complete. Yields range from 1000 to 2500 lbs. White mould has been a significant problem in some fields. Majority of soybeans are still standing. Some harvest has been done, with early yield reports of 20 to 40 bu/acre. Most producers feel the crop was mature enough to suffer little damage from frost.
Sunflowers are drying down. More reports of sclerotinia head rot. Blackbird damage is becoming an issue.
Majority of corn fields are showing leaf/stalk browning or whitening due to frost. Producers are anticipating issues with light bushel weights and harvest challenges due to high moisture content. Silage corn harvest continues.
Potato harvest continues with above average yields. Direct delivery harvest is complete.
Third cut hay is being harvested. Pastures are rated as fair.
Fall field work continues with good progress being made. Manure application has started. Fall fertilizer application has started and will become more general in the next week to 10 days.

Eastern Region
Harvest progress continued although the pace slowed due to intermittent light rainfall and cool temperatures. Frost was recorded early in the week and although
significant leaf damage and leaf drop occurred in the warm season crops, damage to corn and sunflower crops appear minimal. No seed damage in soybeans in the brown pod stage was noted.

Harvest of spring wheat is virtually complete. Oats are 70 to 95% harvested. Canola harvesting is 80 to 95% complete with yields ranging from 25 to 50 bu/acre. Flax harvest ranges from 40 to 80% complete. Yields are ranging from 23 to 30 bu/acre. Approximately 10% of the soybean crop has been harvested in the central districts of the region with yields approaching 30 bu/acre. Corn development was slowed due to the cool temperatures. Desiccation of sunflowers may begin this week weather permitting. A significant amount of field work, such as fall tillage, was completed last week.

Hay and pastureland conditions are rated as fair to good. Good progress was made putting up last cut hay. Hay that was silaged generally had good quality. Majority of cattle are still on pasture, although some are starting to be pulled off.

Interlake Region

Damp cool conditions prevailed throughout most of last week delaying harvest progress. Harvest throughout the region is estimated to be 80% complete; harvest of canola and cereal crops is complete or almost complete on most farms. Crops yet to be harvested include soybeans, flax, fababeans, and sunflowers. Harvest of corn silage crops has started with average to above average yields being reported.

Fall field tillage operations continue. Most fields that went unseeded this year have been tilled. There are some fields near Winnipeg Beach, as well as other localized areas, where field access is still restricted due to wet conditions. Harvest of hay in low lying areas continues, resulting in increased feed supply. Native, second, and third cut hay harvest also continues. Pasture conditions are rated as good but regrowth is slow due to cool weather. Feeding has started in some areas to supplement slow pasture growth.