

## Moisture Situation Update – October 15, 2015

### Synopsis:

Over the weekend, wet weather (> 5 mm of precipitation) continued to hamper harvest efforts across most areas north of the Yellowhead Highway, affecting lands as far north as High Level and Fort Vermillion (**see Map 1**). The wettest areas were located in the central Peace Region where some stations recorded well over 25 mm of precipitation. Additionally, precipitation totals ranged from 5 to 15 mm across a large area south of the Yellowhead Highway extending well into the Special Areas.

In contrast, much of the central parts of the province remained dry, roughly from Wetaskiwin down to the USA Border. Since the weekend, the weather has generally been dry with above seasonal temperatures. This is expected to continue as the province is currently under the influence of a high pressure ridge that should persist until about Saturday. At this time, cool and relatively dry air will sweep in from the northern parts of the province and make its way southeastward over the course of a few days. Currently, no significant wide spread precipitation is expected across the agricultural areas as this system pushes through.

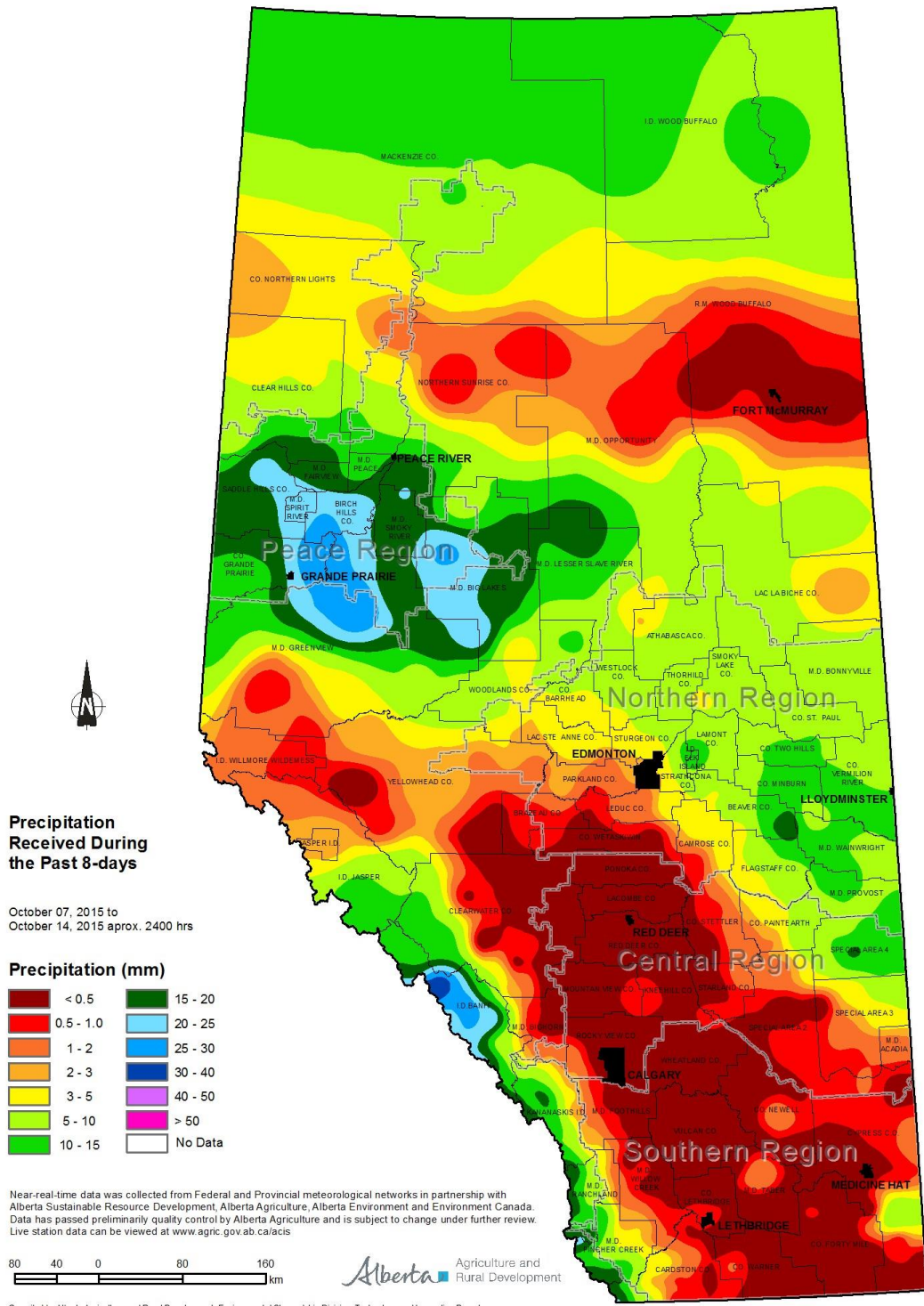
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**Note:** Data has about a two hour lag and is displayed in MST (add one hour for daylight savings time)

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