

MORNING MARKET REPORT

Friday, March 3, 2023

Market Summary

Wheat futures are trading mostly unchanged this morning down 5 to up 1 cent in the MAY futures, after starting the session slightly higher. Traders are watching Russia for indications on their intentions on the grain shipping corridor. They always bluster about needing sanctions removed as ar requirement for an extension but have so far backed off when it came down to the deadline. A reduction in estimated production by SovEcon Wednesday reduced its projection of Russia's wheat crop by .7 mmt, to 85.3 mmt, due to winter weather issues. Their estimate is still higher than the "official" USDA estimates but Russia has been known to stretch the truth.

<u>Yesterday's Export sales report was not bullish but could have been worse</u>, as Russia and Australia have been aggressive sellers of cheap wheat. Wheat export sales for the week came in at 300.9 tmt vs estimates of 150 to 700 tmt (previous week total was 338,828 MT). Corn export sales for the week came in on the low side at 598.1 tmt vs estimates of 500 tmtm - 1.1 mmt (previous week total was 823,177 MMT) but there are rumors there could be some sales on the horizon. Soybean sales came in at a marketing year low of 494.7 tmt vs estimates of 300 tmt to 1.05 mmt (previous week total was 544,915 mmt), but again traders are anticipating an uptick in sales with these low prices.

Wheat futures are continuing to consolidate near recent lows, with RSI (relative strength index) creeping out of "oversold territory". The last four sessions in the Chicago futures closed within a 4 cent range of \$7.10, which shows some support building. A break and close below the support pocket from 6.90 to 7.00 would neutralize that bullish bias, and a breakout above 7.30 to 7.25 would confirm that bias. (see bottom chart). The next resistance on the chart comes in from 7.46 to 7.58. We haven't had an up to date committment of traders (COT) report since January 31, but it's safe to assume the Funds are aggressively short, which brings up the likelyhood of a short-covering rally.

<u>Cash Futures Prices</u>: Chicago MAY is up 1 at 713, KC MAY is down 5 at 820 and MPLS MAY is down 2 at 874. US Dollar is trading **0.36 lower** at 104.67.

SWW *CLUB* HRW 11.5% **DNS 14.0% BARLEY Bushel** Bushel Bushel Bushel Ton MAR 8.15 8.15 9.60 9.59 260.00 **APR** 8.19 8.19 9.60 9.59 260.00 MAY 8.23 8.23 9.60 9.59 260.00 JUN 8.27 8.27 9.60 9.59 260.00 JLY - NC 8.31 8.31 9.52 9.54 260.00 MCH - NC 7.50 7.50 8.95 9.40 260.00

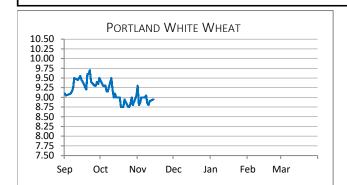
PROTEIN SCALES

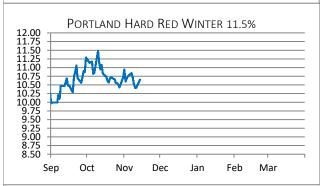
HRW: +5 cents each 1/2% above 11.5% to 13.0%; - 10 cents each 1/2% below 11.5%

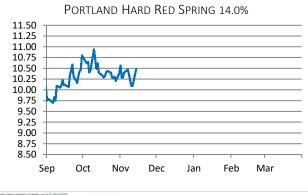
DNS: + 2 cents each 1/4% above 14.0% to 15.5%; - 04 cents each 1/4% below 14.0%

SWW: No Discount or Premium from 10.5% pro. New crop Sww: Market scale based on 10.5% pro.

** CLUB WHEAT MAX 10.5% PROTEIN ONLY **









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