

# California Wheat

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## CWC Wheat Bulletin

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### Comments

**5.11.09** -"Wheat harvest should finish up in the next week or two...Yields have been above average, maybe a 5 to 10 percent above, with normal protein and good quality....market has been slow with not many sales. Seems to be holding around the 11 CWT" *Roy Motter, Grower, Imperial County*

### PNW Export Capacity to Expand

Bunge North America, Japan's ITOCHU, and Korea's STX Pan Ocean have formed a joint venture called EGT Development to build and operate what will be the first new export grain facility in the U.S. in 20 years. EGT expects to begin construction in the next few months at the Port of Longview, WA, on the Columbia River. The announcement came after port commissioners approved an 80-year lease for the new grain terminal. Plans call for a rail loop to unload up to four 110-car shuttle trains and

capacity to handle grain, oilseeds, and protein meals.

This week, United Harvest LLC also announced plans to upgrade its Kalama, WA, export facility in a project designed to double its inbound rail capacity. United Harvest said the project will help increase railcar turnaround at the port and, according to the President of United Harvest, will put the exporter in a better position to meet growing customer needs. This upgrade should be complete by Sept. 30, 2009.

Bunge Ltd. is a food and feed ingredient company that operates grain elevators, grain and oilseed processing plants, refineries and food processing facilities in the U.S., Canada and Mexico. ITOCHU is the second largest marketer of grain and food products in Japan, and STX Pan Ocean of Korea ships agricultural products. United Harvest is a joint venture between CHS Inc., St. Paul, MN, the nation's largest producer-owned cooperative and Mitsui & Co. Ltd., Tokyo, Japan, an exporter originating United States wheat, barley and by-products. *From US Wheat Associates "Wheat Letter", June 11, 2009*

### Note:

*As the Wheat Bulletin's primary purpose is the reporting of conditions during the growing season and harvest is underway in most areas now, this will be the last regular Wheat Bulletin for this year. Have a good harvest.*

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