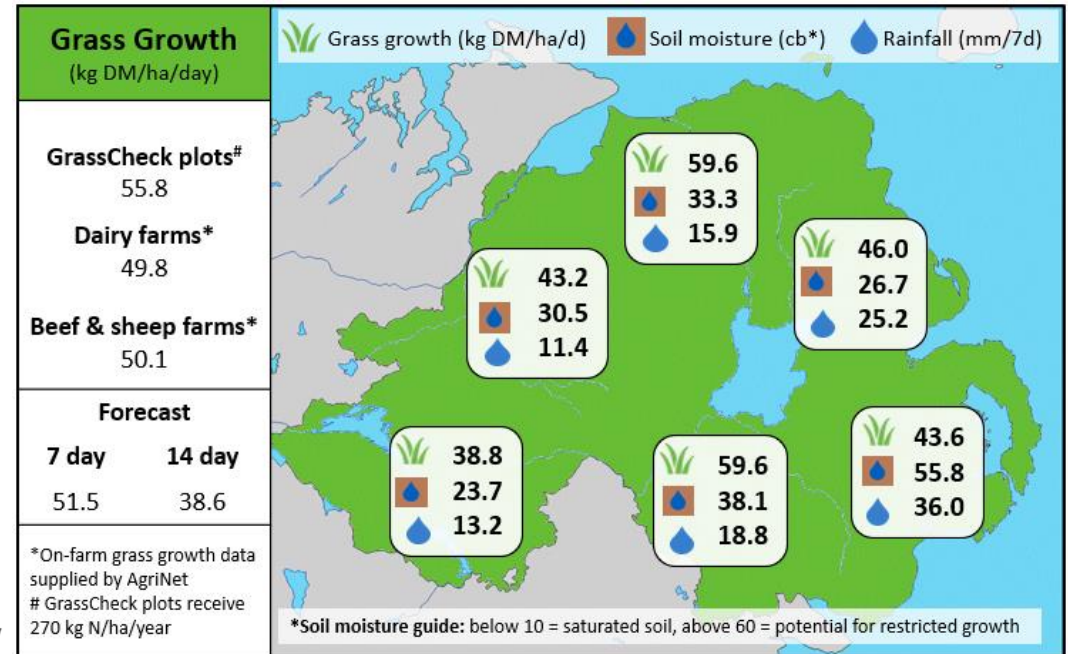
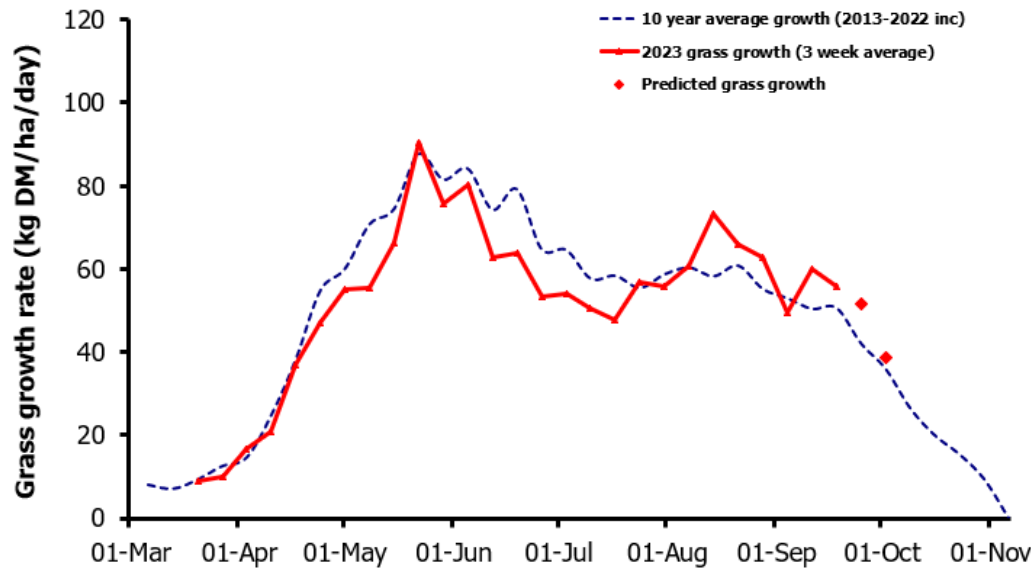


Week Beginning 18th September 2023



MANAGEMENT NOTES:

- Grass growth remains above the LT av. despite the difficult weather conditions.
- The reason for building grass covers over the past 4 weeks now becomes clear as growth will begin to drop below demand on many farms if nothing is changed.
- High amounts of rainfall, especially over the past weekend have made grazing conditions challenging, especially when trying to graze and utilise high grass covers.
- Grass DM is low, keep animals well fed and consider supplementing forage for fibre
- Consider grazing lighter covers until conditions improve to increase the grazing area
- Use the full range of autumn grazing tools and techniques where applicable, including on-off grazing, using multiple entry and exit points, using spur roads to access the back of paddocks, using 12 hour allocations and back fencing grazed areas.

Value of Grass		Grass Quality	
Dairy – maintenance plus (M+) (kg/cow/day)*	11.0	DM (%)	13.6
Growing animals – daily live weight gain (kg/head/day)**	0.96	CP (% DM)	19.6
*M+ calculated assuming: 650kg cow, and 12 kg DMI. Maintenance=75 MJ/day, 5.3 MJ/kg milk **Beef daily gain assuming: 300 kg beef steer, and 6.6 kg DMI. Maintenance=35 MJ/day, 40 MJ/kg gain		WSC (% DM)	8.6
		ME (MJ/kg DM)	11.1