

## **Forage Production in San Luis Obispo County 2022**

This year started with a germinating rain in October, and twice the normal rainfall for December. Then January and February were extremely dry. There was a little rain that came in March, which helped the Coastal areas. Otherwise, the drought was severe for the Central and Eastern parts of the county. Table 1 shows this year's production, compared to the average for each rainfall zone. Figure 1 shows the forage production since 2001. Figure 2 shows the rainfall from the City of Paso Robles.

Table 1. Forage production for San Luis Obispo County, 2022.

<b>Forage Production SLO County 2022</b>			
	<b>2022</b>	<b>Expected</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>Production</b>	<b>Production</b>	<b>Losses</b>
	<b>lb/ac</b>	<b>lb/ac</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Coast</b>	<b>1889</b>	<b>3668</b>	<b>48%</b>
<b>Central</b>	<b>597</b>	<b>1981</b>	<b>77%</b>
<b>Eastern</b>	<b>223</b>	<b>1411</b>	<b>91%</b>

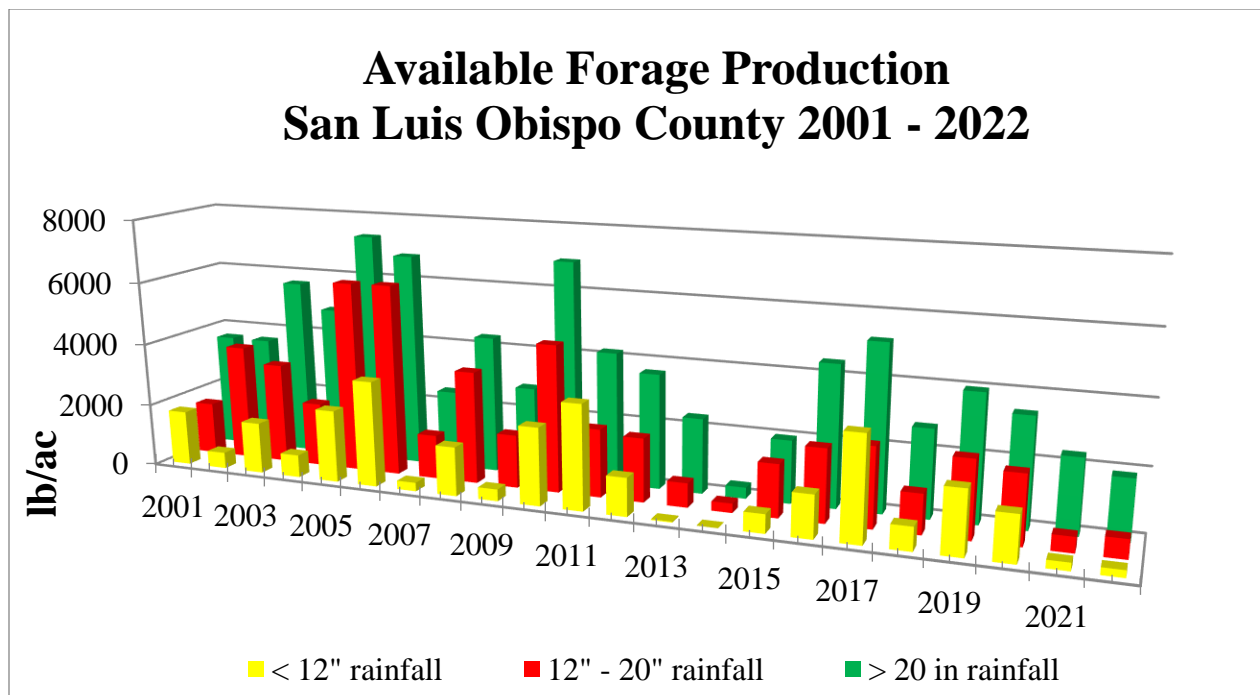


Figure 1. Forage production for each rainfall zone for 2001 through 2022.

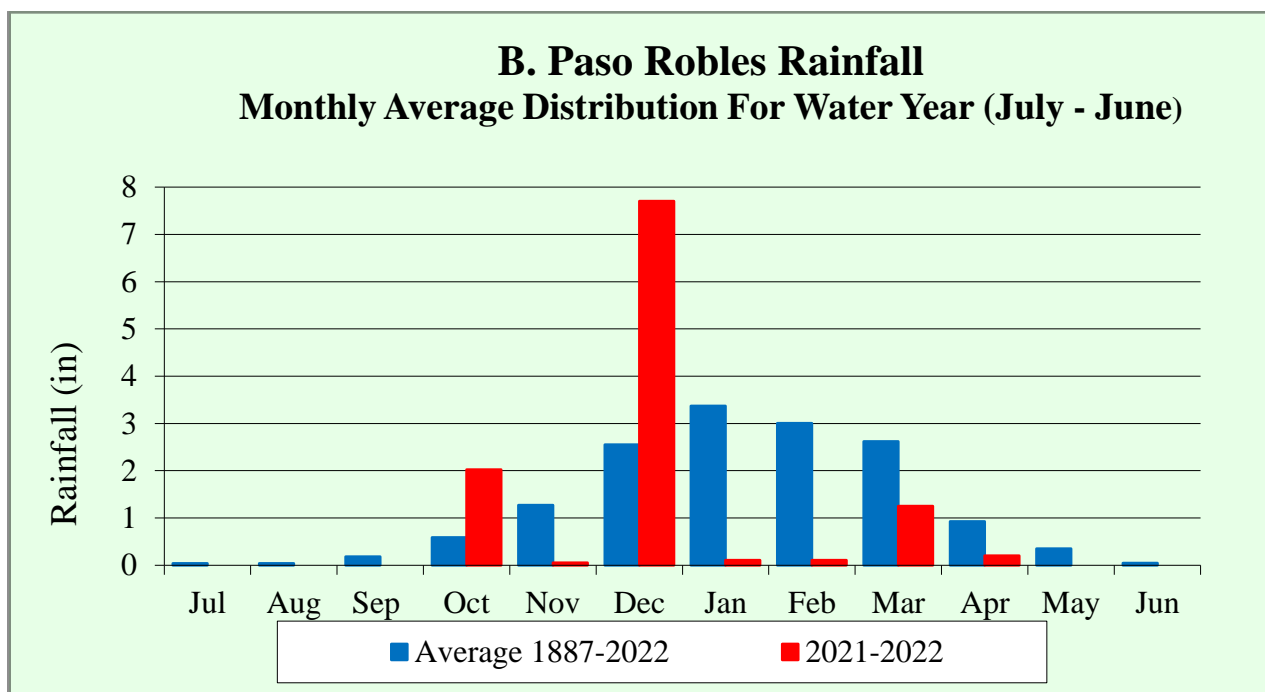


Figure 2. Paso Robles monthly rainfall for 2022 compared to the average from 1887- 2022.