In addition to NCIS What's Happening, we are providing:

1. a weekly update of USDA's drought monitor for both corn and soybeans and
2. daily futures price movements for both corn and soybeans including crop revenue guarantee prices, along with the PLC price.

We hope you will find this a useful supplement to our weekly NCIS update.

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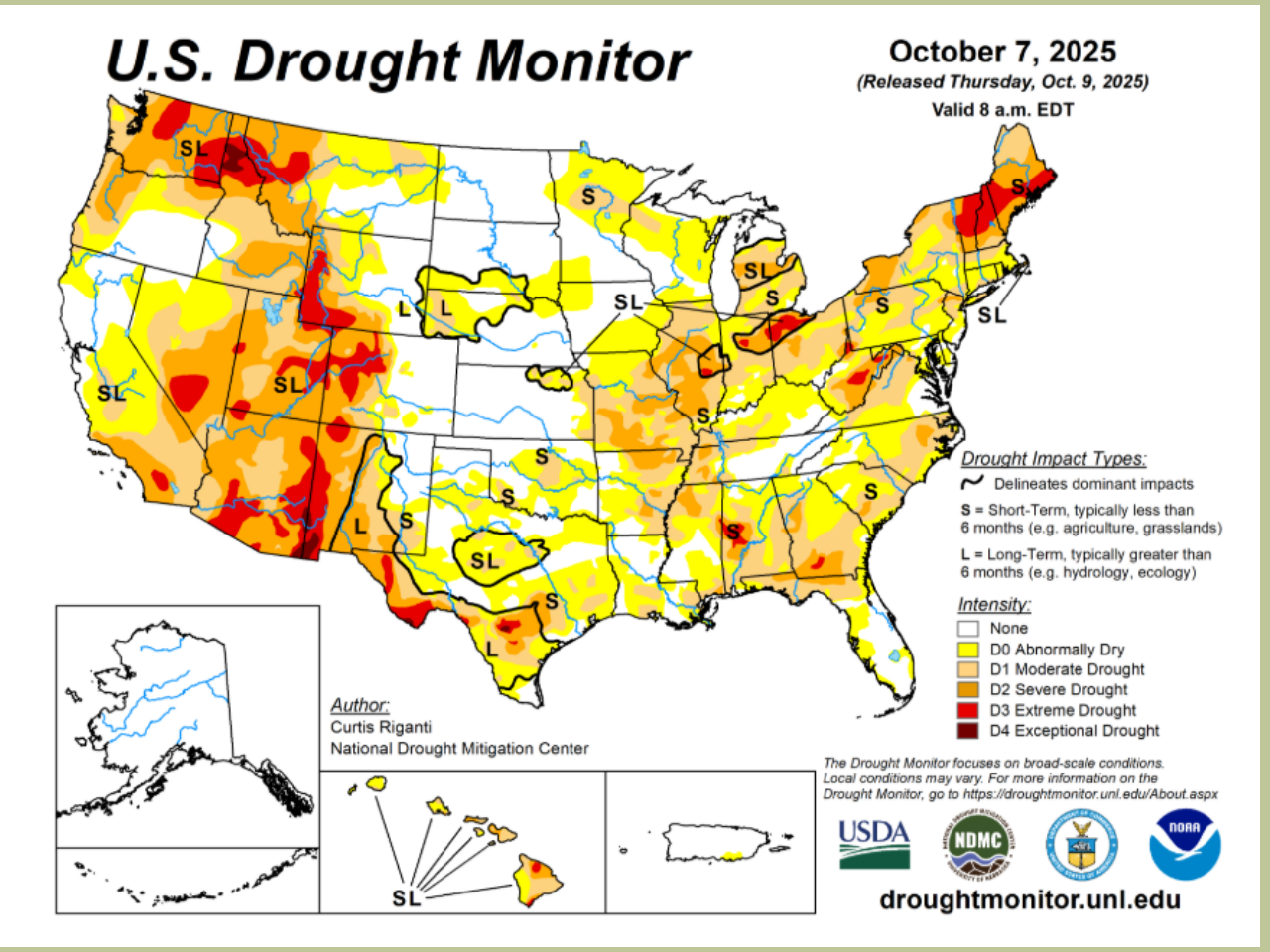

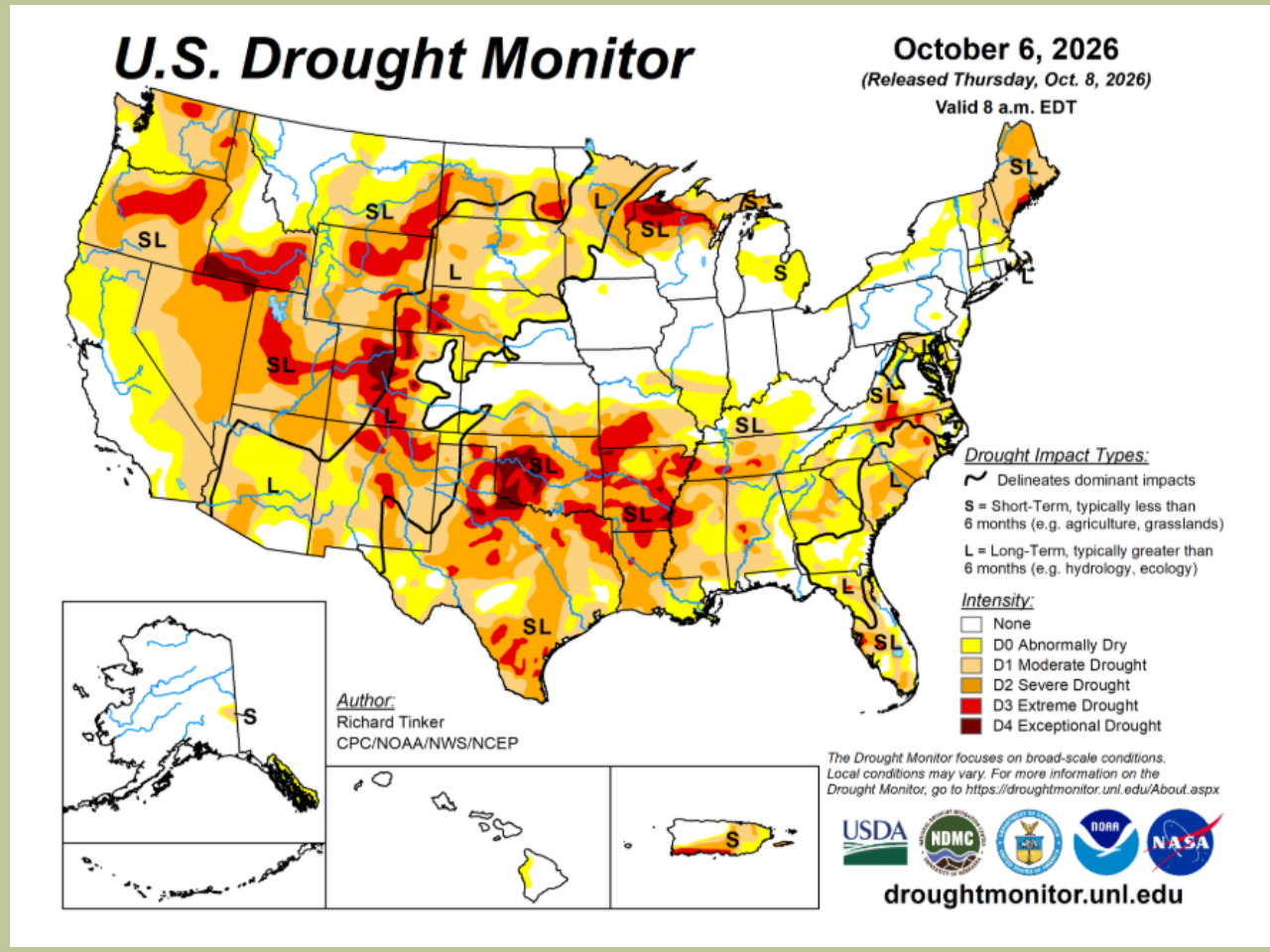

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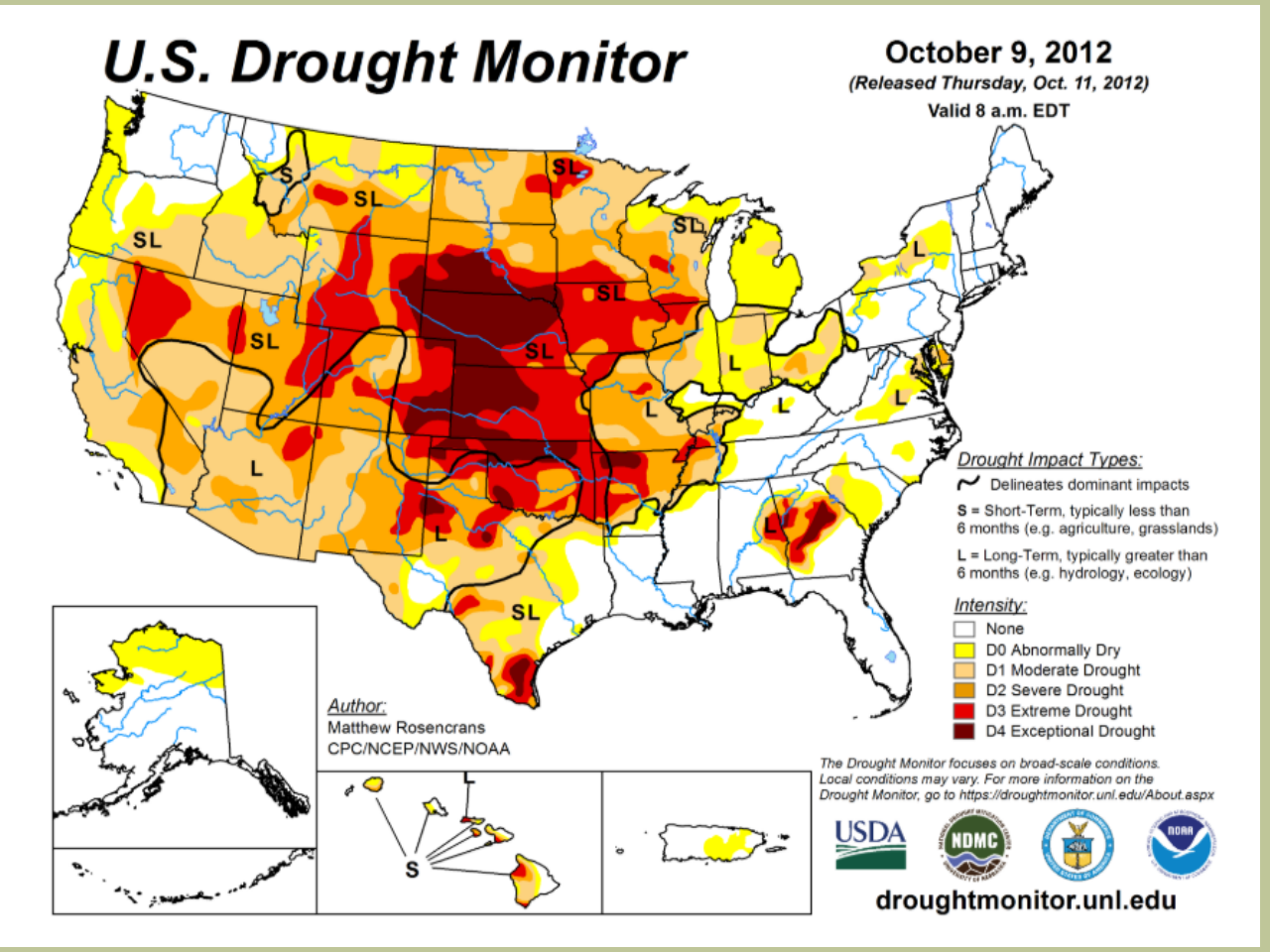

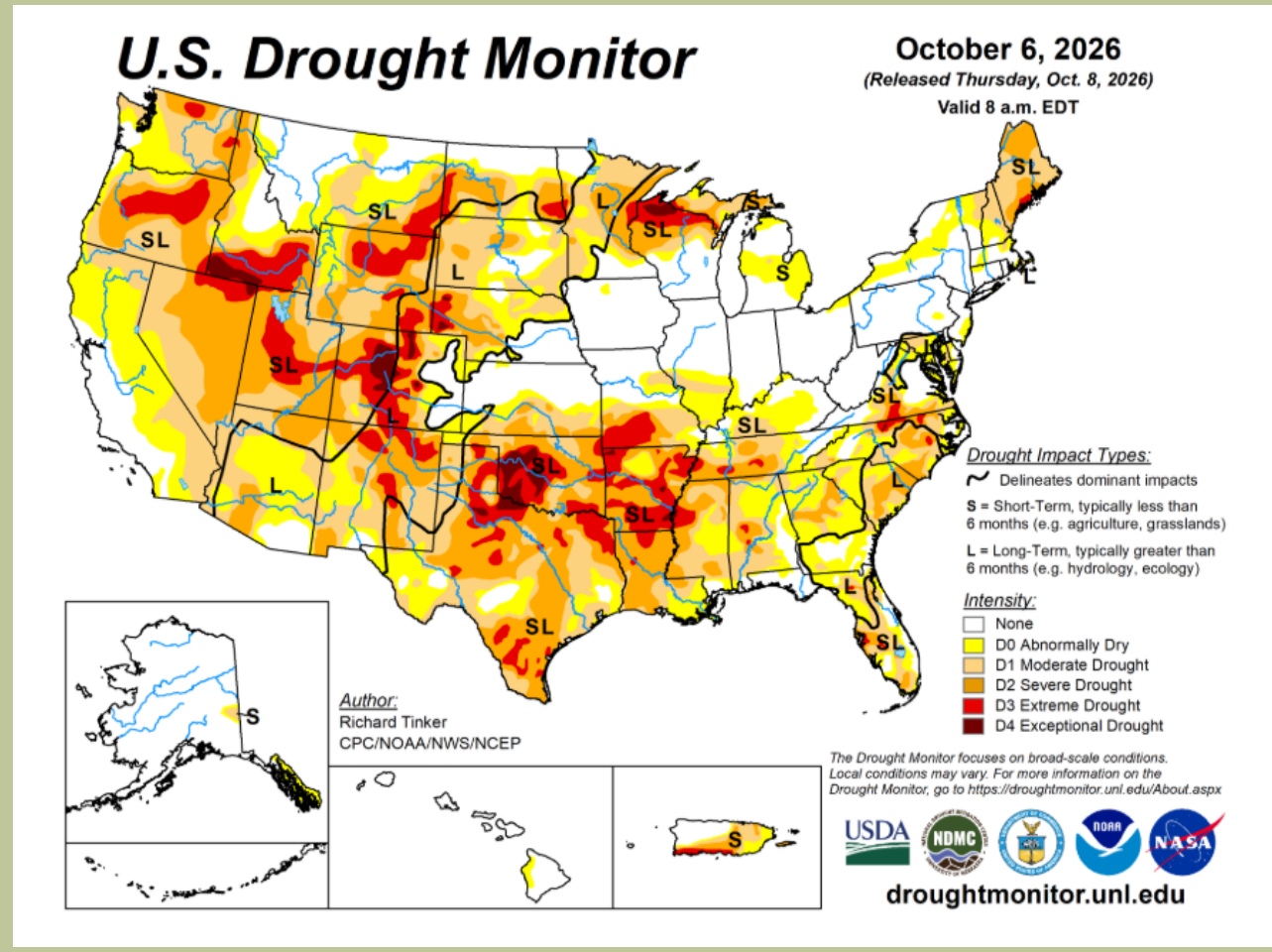

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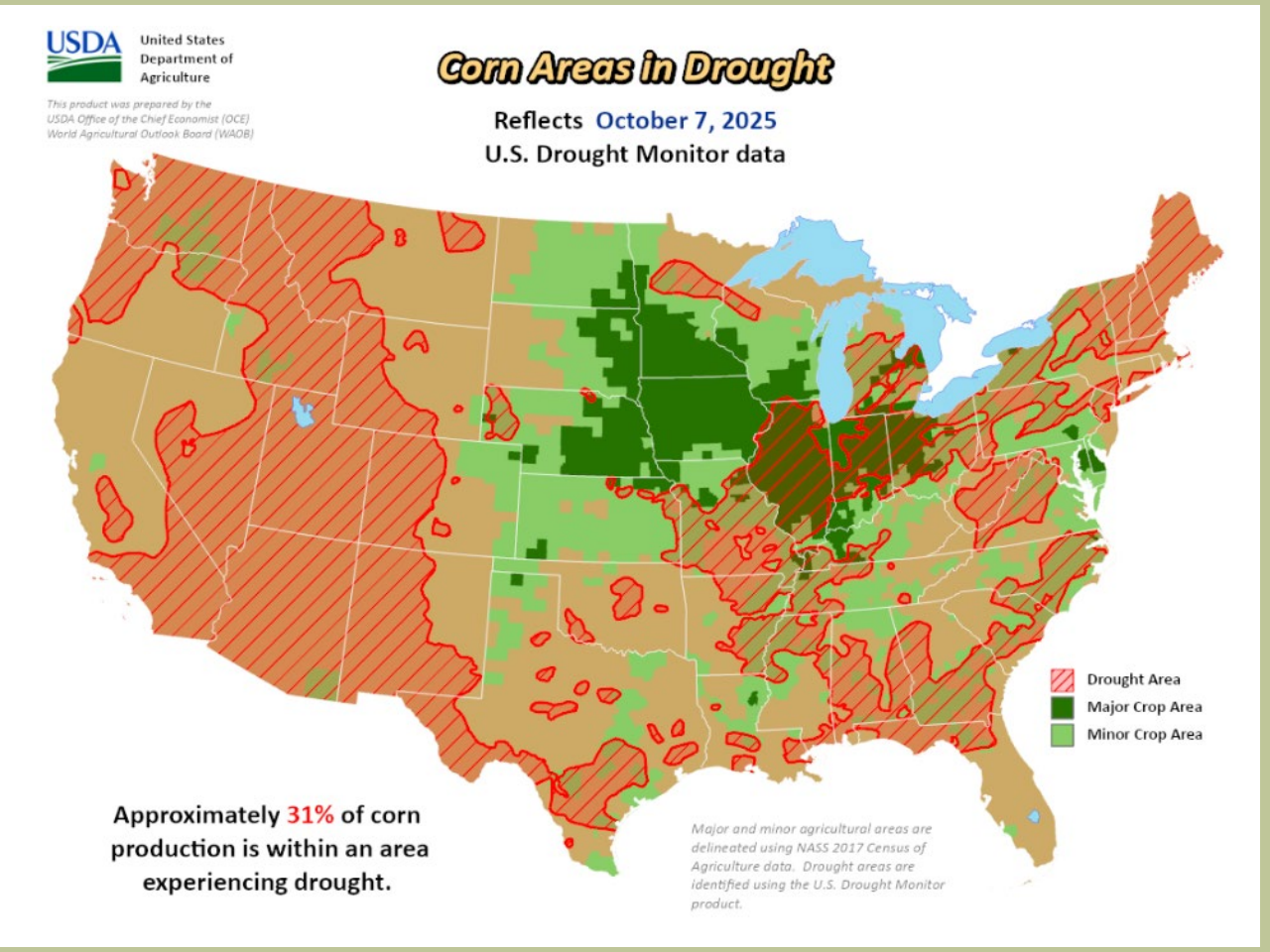

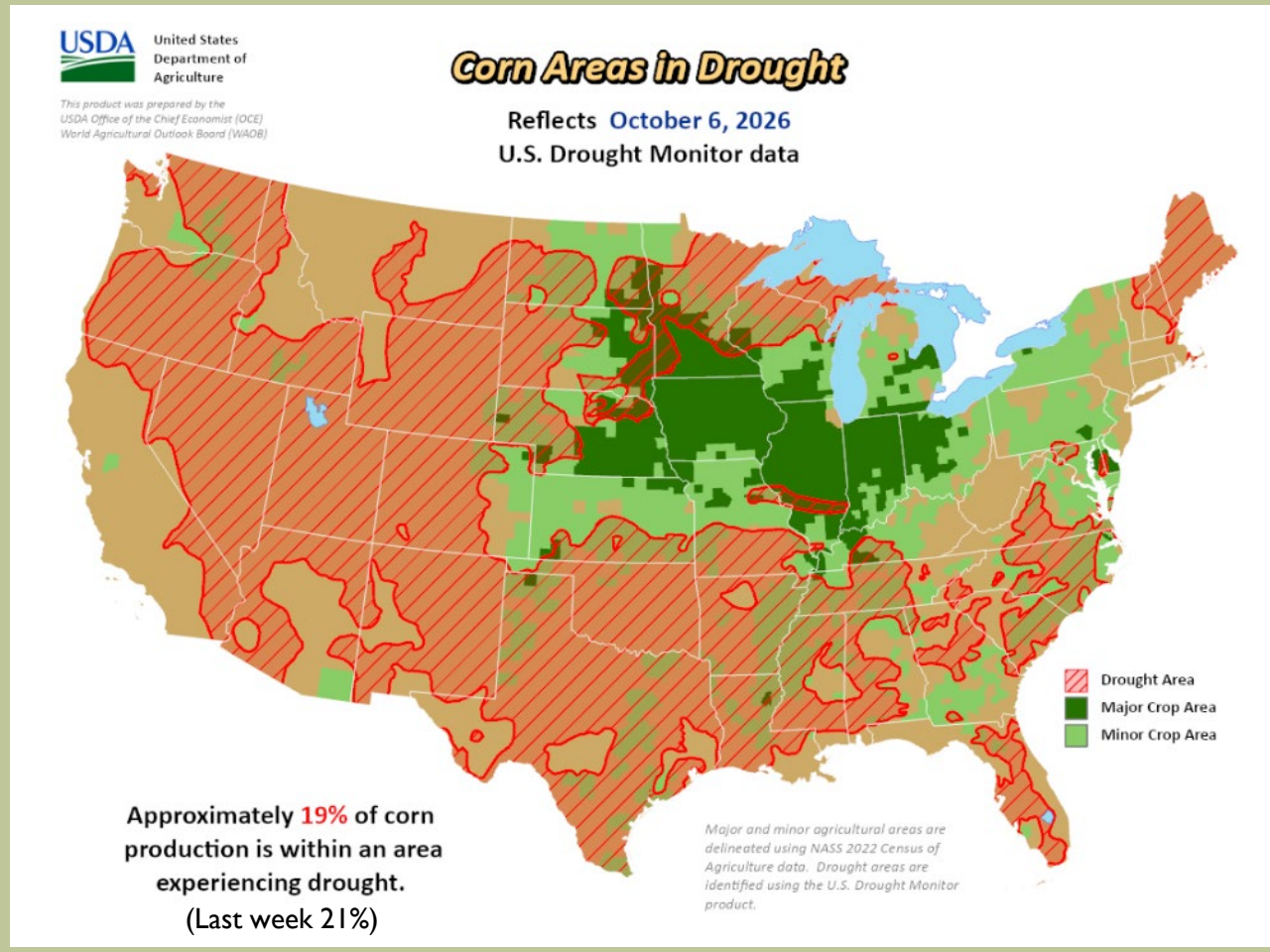

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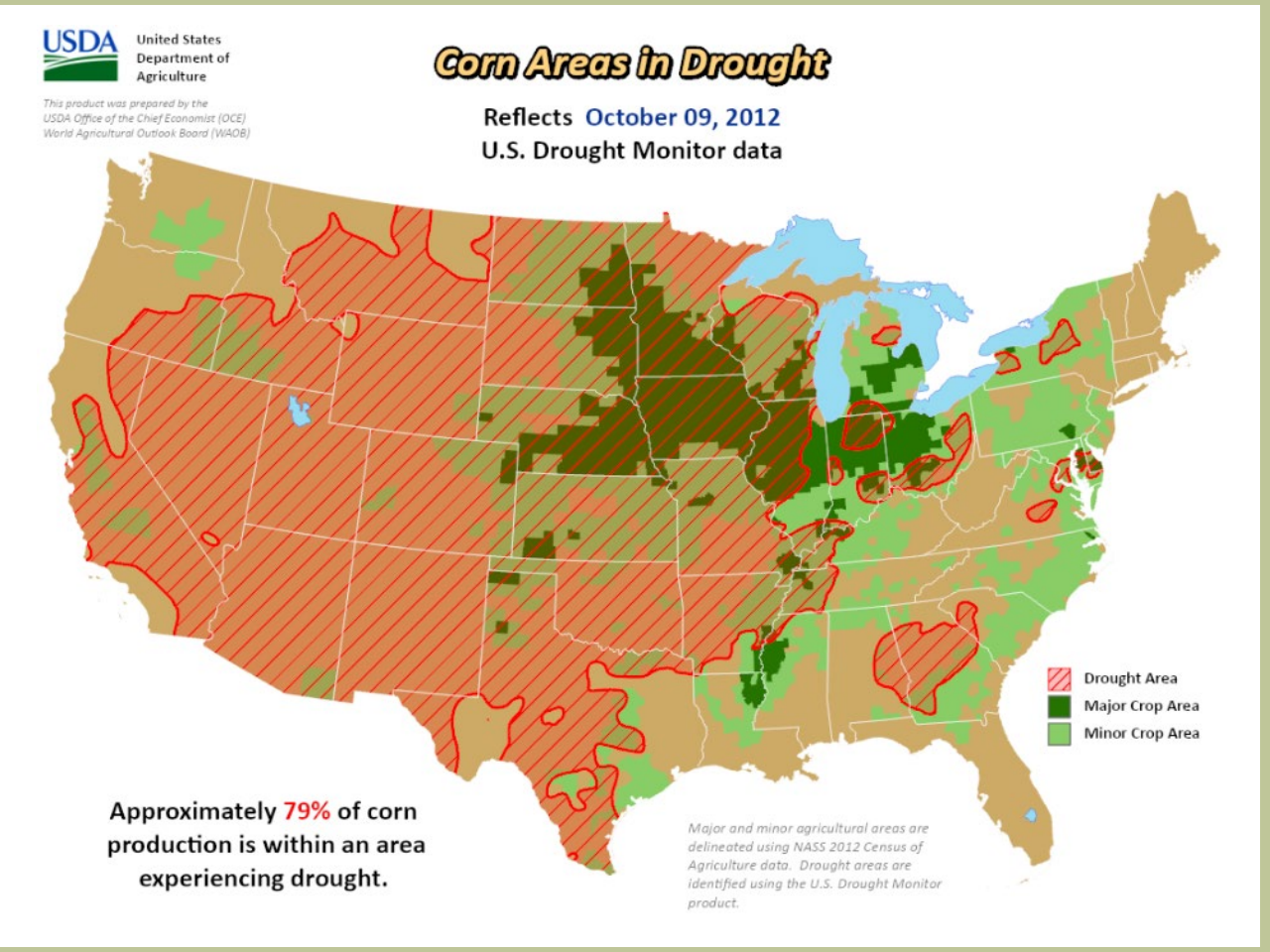

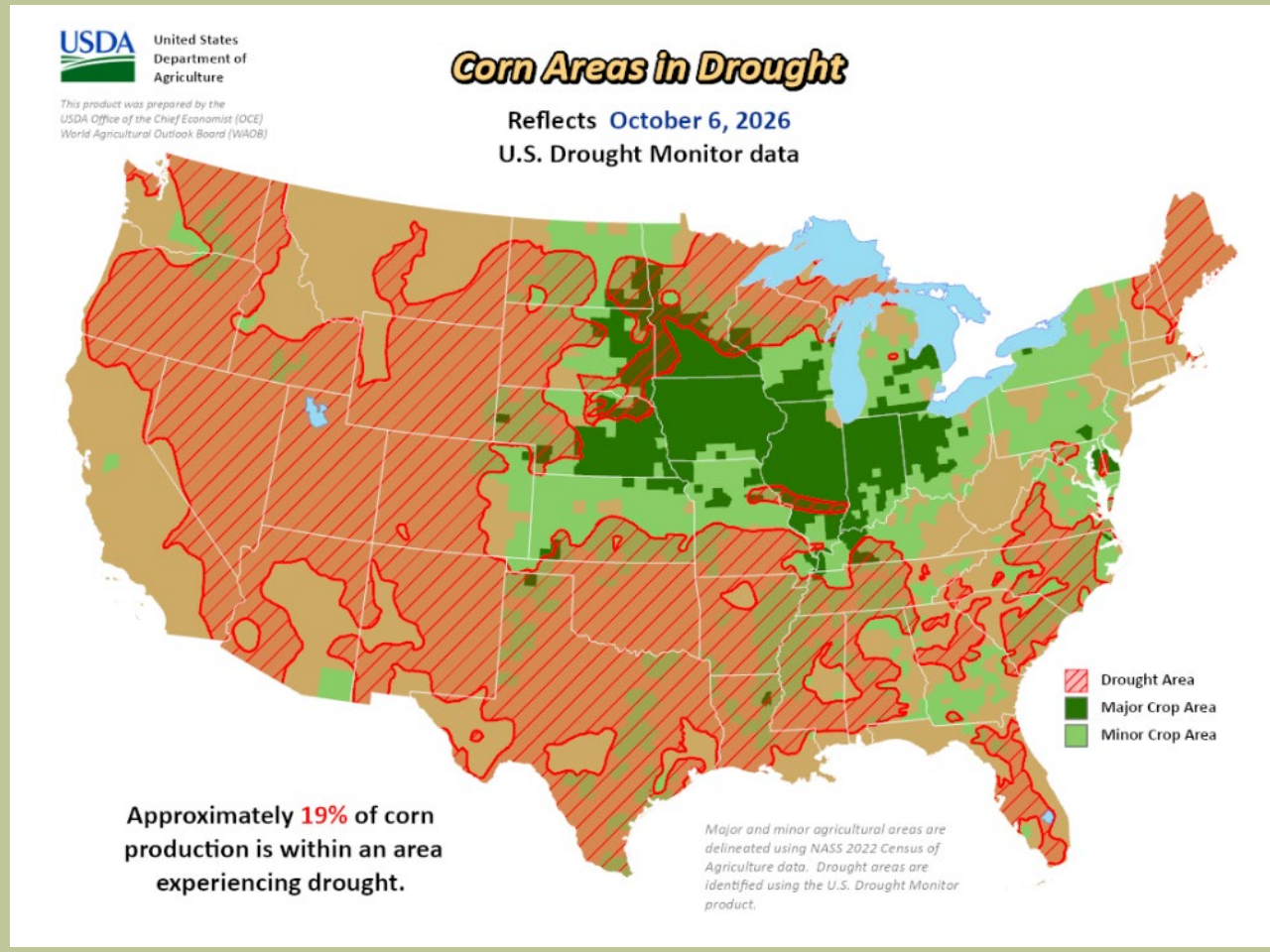

PRICE CHART COMPARISONS – CORN: 2025 vs. 2026

Policy Price Triggers: 2026 PLC $4.42 — 2026 CI $4.62 —

2026 Futures — 2025 Futures —

Corn Dec '26 (ZCZ26)

501-6 -0-2 (-0.05%) 07:44 CT [CBOT]

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QUOTE OVERVIEW for Thu, Oct 8th, 2026

Day Low	Day High
500-6	503-6

Open 502-0

Previous Close	502-0
Volume	31,930
Open Interest	894,239
Weighted Alpha	+10.74
Relative Strength	40.45 (-0.14)
5-Day Change	-0-4 (-0.10%)
52-Week High	549-6 (-8.73%)
52-Week Low	425-6 (+17.85%)
National Corn Index	4.6317

Life of Contract Futures Prices for the year as of Thursday; CBOT, December 2026 Corn, High/Low/Close. Compared to Policy Benchmarks, the USDA, Price Loss Coverage Reference Price and the Crop Insurance Price Guarantee.

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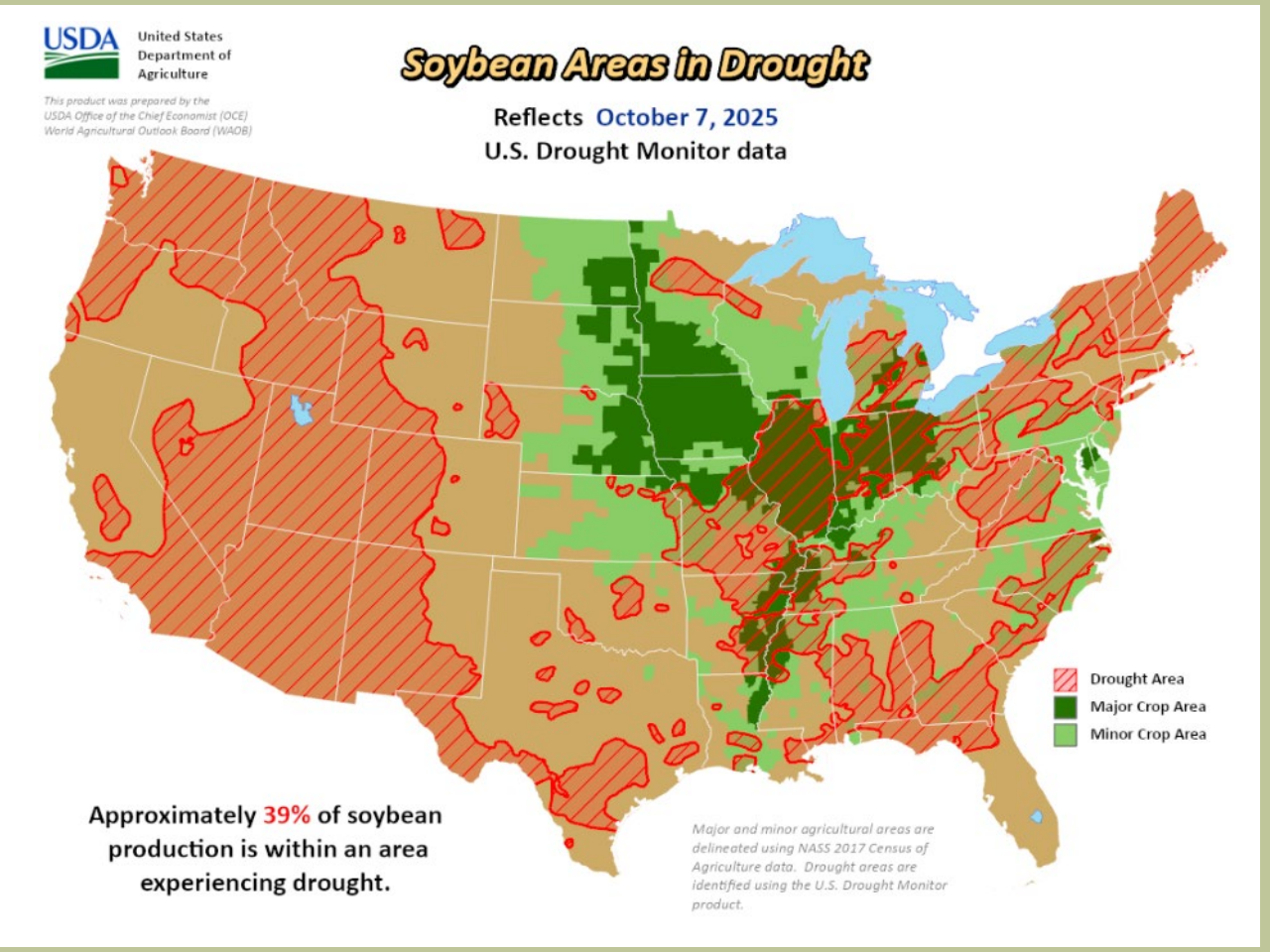

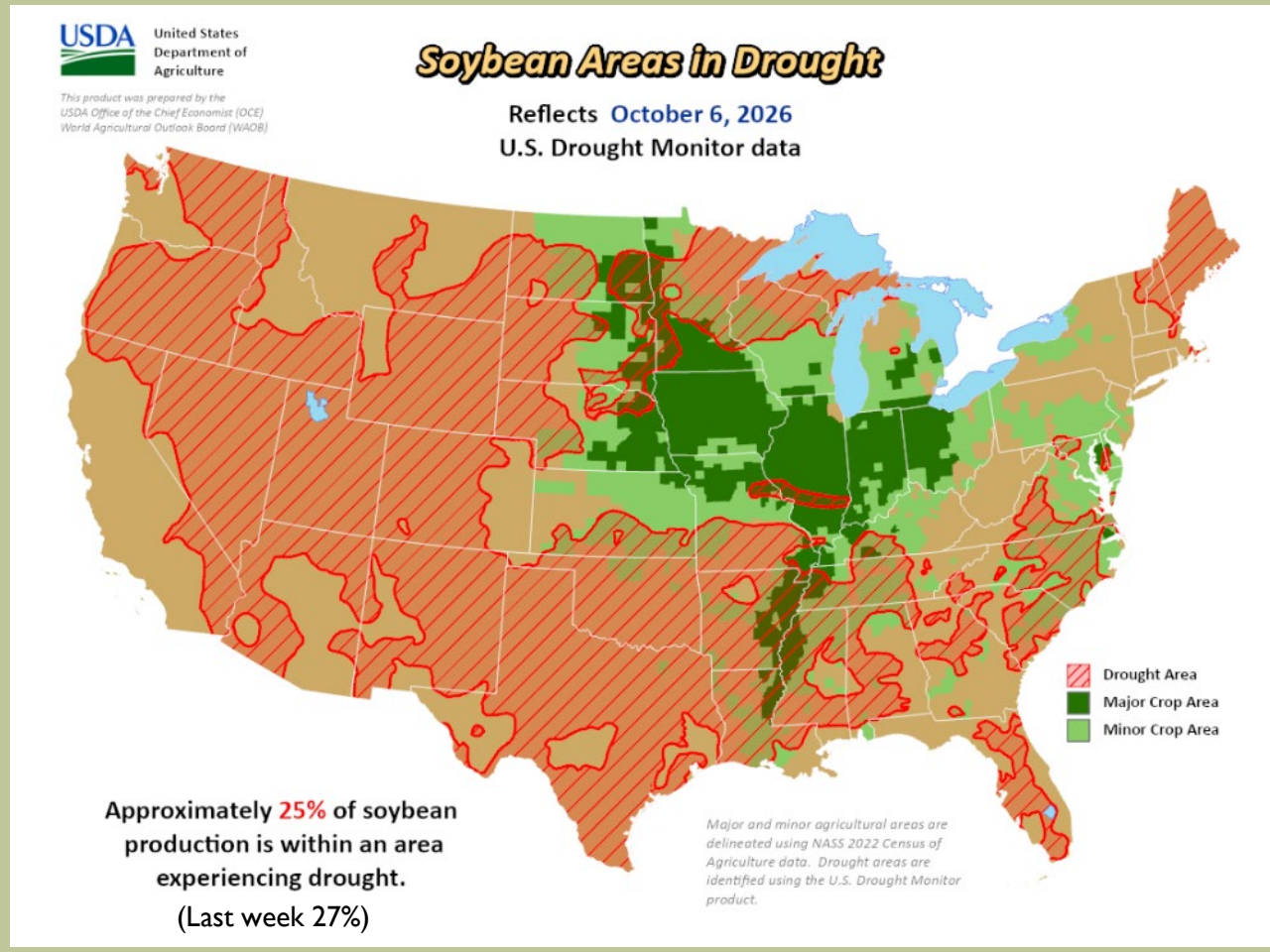

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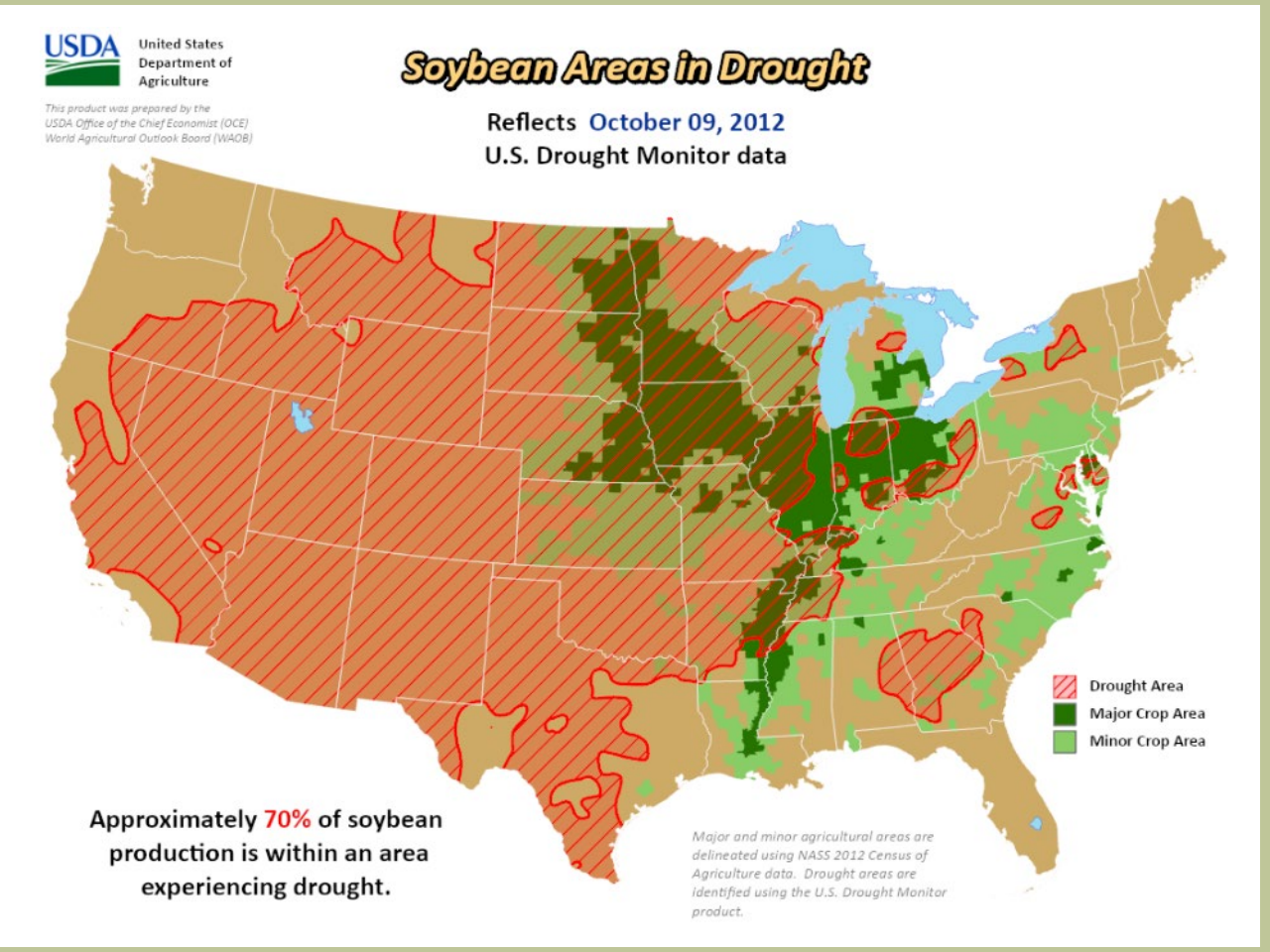

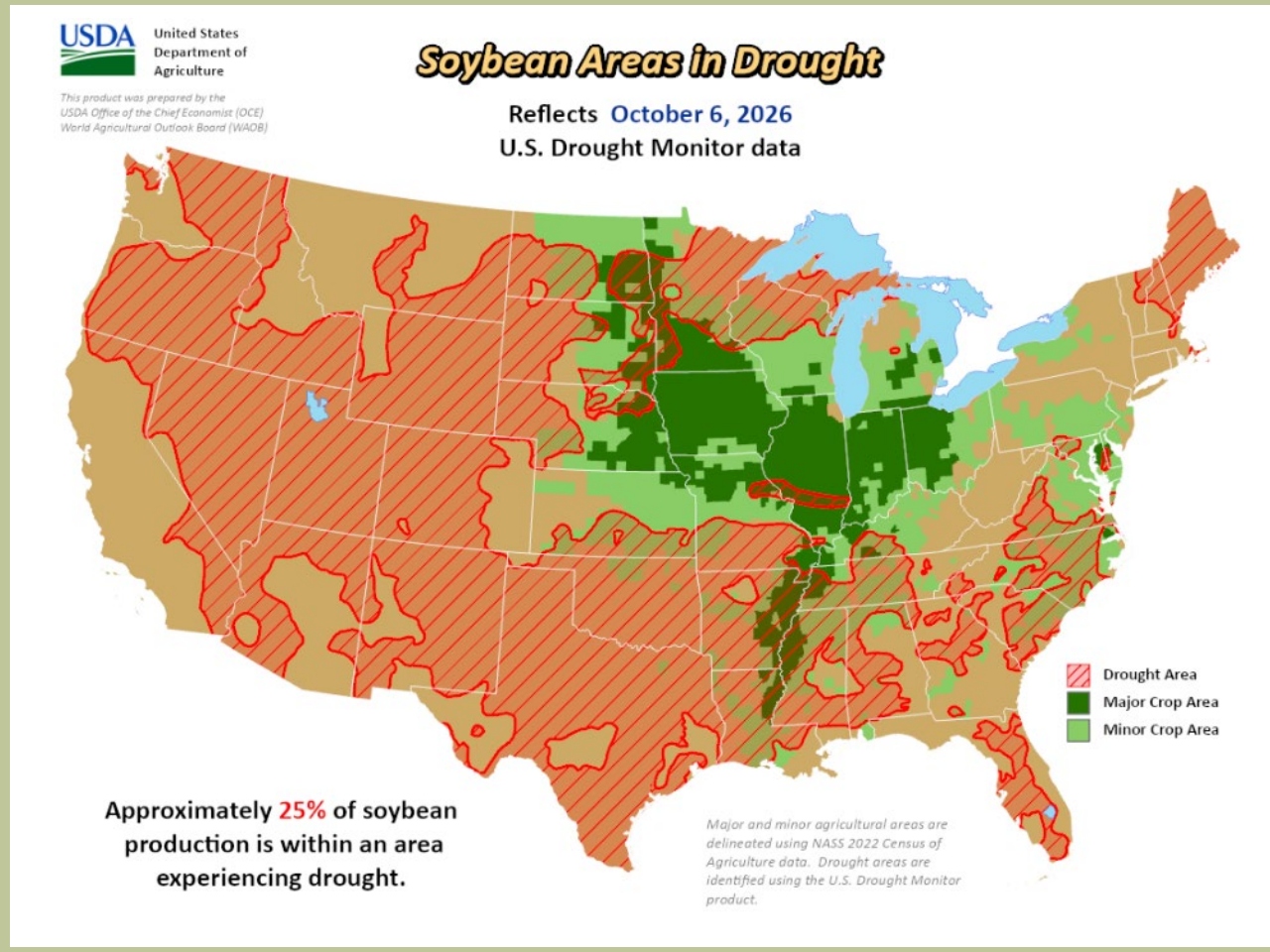

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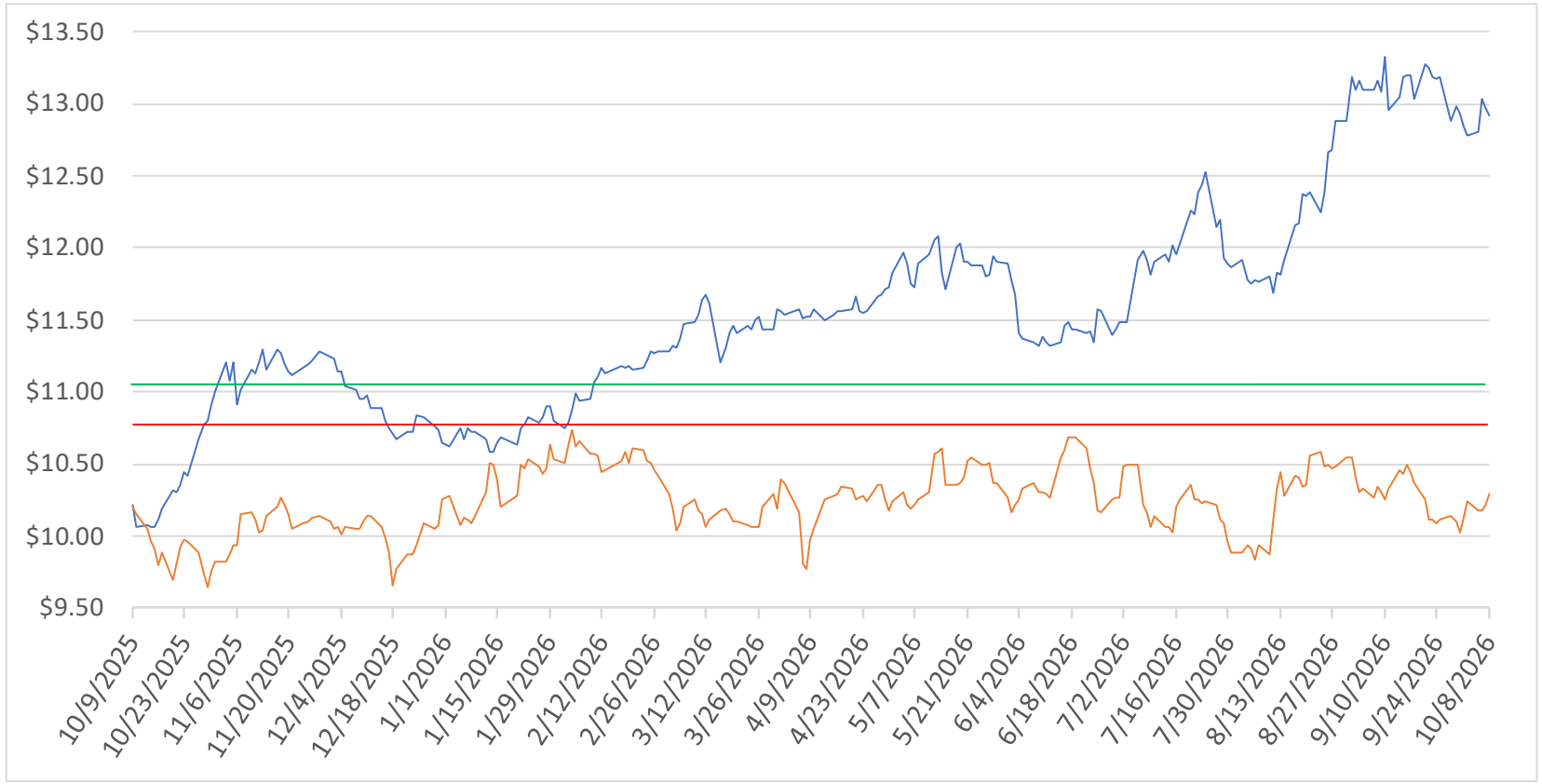

Policy Price Triggers: 2026 PLC $10.71 — 2026 CI $11.09 —

2026 Futures — 2025 Futures —

Soybean Nov '26 (ZSX26)

1292-0 **-5-4 (-0.42%)** 07:44 CT [CBOT]

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QUOTE OVERVIEW for Thu, Oct 8th, 2026

Day Low	Day High
1290-0	1302-0

Open 1294-0

Previous Close	1297-4
Volume	37,760
Open Interest	409,708
Weighted Alpha	+23.22
Relative Strength	50.18 (-2.07)
5-Day Change	+8-0 (+0.62%)
52-Week High	1335-2 (-3.24%)
52-Week Low	1050-6 (+22.96%)
National Soybean Index	12.3457

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