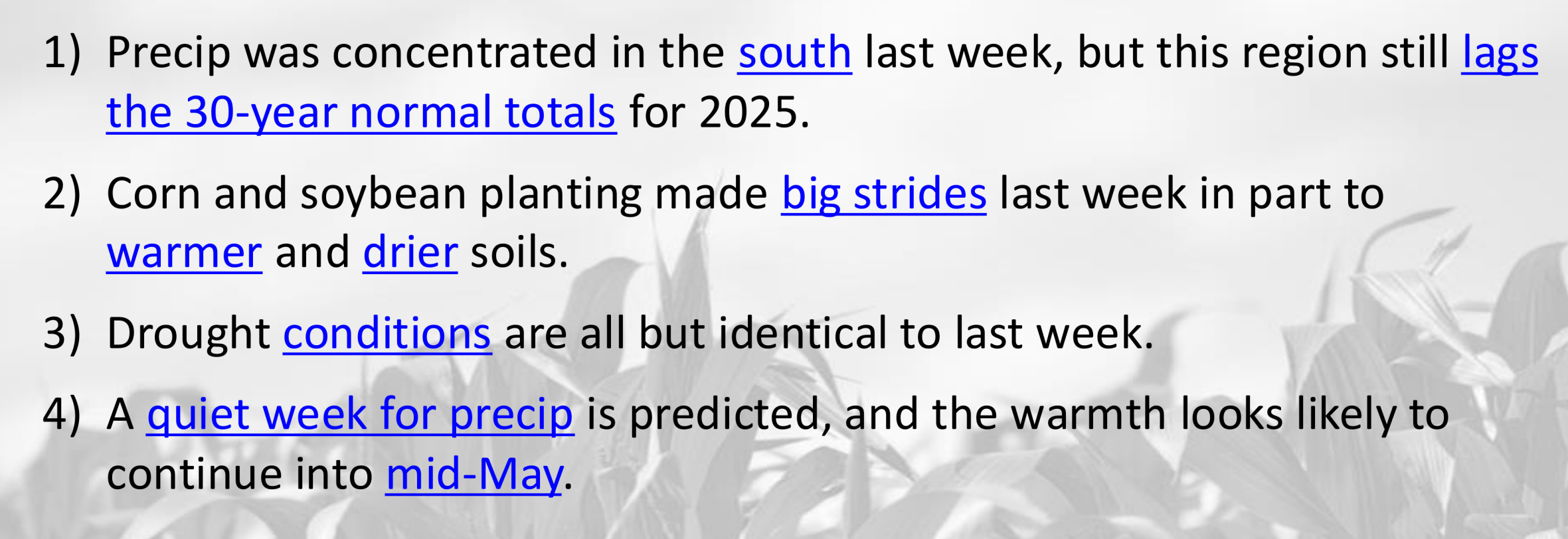


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- The background of the slide features a grayscale image of corn plants, showing the characteristic long, pointed leaves and tassels of the ears.
- 1) Precip was concentrated in the south last week, but this region still lags the 30-year normal totals for 2025.
 - 2) Corn and soybean planting made big strides last week in part to warmer and drier soils.
 - 3) Drought conditions are all but identical to last week.
 - 4) A quiet week for precip is predicted, and the warmth looks likely to continue into mid-May.