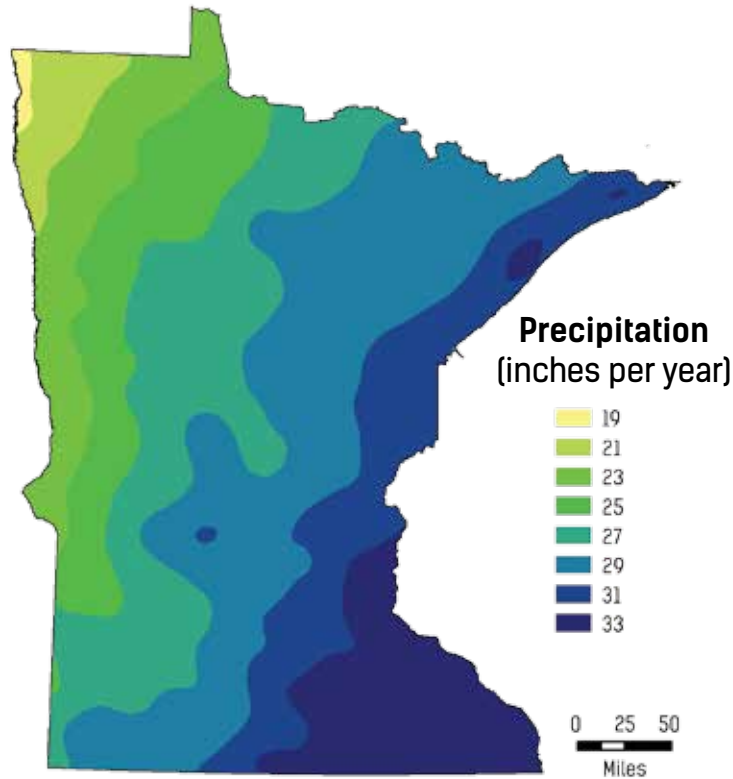


Minnesota Rainfall: What and Where?

Average Annual Precipitation (rain and snow)



1. Which biome normally gets the least rainfall each year? _____

Which biome gets the most? _____

2. Why must farmers understand rainfall patterns when they choose which crops to plant? _____

3. What happens to farm crops when rainfall is way above normal? _____

Way below normal? _____

4. Imagine you're a farmer. In which of the four areas would it make the most sense to grow these crops?
Write your answers in the table below, then read the clues again (page 1) to check your work.

Crop	Which Growing Area?
Hay and Pastureland	
Sugarbeets	
Corn and Soybeans	
Forest and Pine Trees	
Wheat	