

Wednesday, January 31, 2018 Closing Prices					
COMMODITY	PERIOD	PRICE	WEEKLY MOVEMENT		
Corn CBOT	Mar	3.61	<b>1</b>	05	cents
Soybeans CBOT	Mar	9.96	$\uparrow$	04	cents
Wheat CBOT	Mar	4.51	<b>1</b>	18	cents
Wheat Minn.	Mar	6.07	<b>1</b>	01	cents
Wheat Kansas	Mar	4.67	<b>1</b>	35	cents
Chicago Oats	Mar	2.65	$\downarrow$	10	cents
Canadian \$	Mar	.8130	<b>↑</b>	0.23	points

## Corn:

Last week's commentary hit our \$3.55 resistance and closed just above it. I was reluctant to call it a reversal until we saw how the next session would play out. Well, it gave us a red buy signal on the daily chart and I'll take that as a positive sign. We now have our sights set on the four-year-old trend line that cuts across the \$3.70 - \$3.80 price point on the lead month chart. Our gap on the continuation chart worked picture perfect and it is confirming that our \$3.70 target is in its sights. Short term indicators have turned positive and the weekly charts are also positive. This leaves just the monthly charts in a negative mode. One step at a time. If you want an excuse for this move, my reason would simply be the weakness in the U.S. dollar which technically has a lot more room on the downside. Initial support is now at \$3.50 while overhead resistance is at \$3.75. The primary trend is still down.

## **Soybeans:**

The soybean chart, which has given us two red buy signals, is behaving as expected. The four-year-old down trend line has been negated. Once the momentum starts to push prices higher, we will be looking for a break above the stubborn resistance between \$10.25 and \$10.75 to turn this market back into a bullish mode for the first time since it ran its course in 2012. The weekly chart shows a clear break of the down-trend line, and the momentum is starting to build as we push through the tough resistance from \$10.25 - \$10.75. Support is seen on the March charts at the \$9.70-\$9.80 level while our overhead resistance level is still at the \$10.25 level.

Short term indicators are positive and a close above \$11 would convince me that we have turned the corner on this bear market. Meanwhile, the primary trend is still down.



## Wheat:

Another great week for the March wheat contract as we broke above the \$4.35 resistance level and went directly to our next resistance level of \$4.60. Like corn, wheat pulled back to our trading gap perfectly and then moved higher.

We will leave our support line on the March chart at \$4.10 for the time being, but our overhead headwinds now appear on the March chart at \$4.60 - \$4.80

The weekly trend line has not only broken the down-trend, but came back, tested it, and flashed a red buy signal all in the past two weeks.

Indicators are positive. Both daily and weekly indicators are now bullish, but the primary trend is still down.

**Cash Grain** prices as of the close, *January 31*, are as follows: **SWW** @ \$202.10MT (\$5.50/bu), **HRW** @ \$199.84/MT (\$5.44/bu), **HRS** @ \$226.97/MT (\$6.18/bu), **SRW** @ \$197.58/MT (\$5.38/bu).

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