



METEOROLOGICAL OFFICE

ESTIMATED SOIL MOISTURE DEFICIT OVER GREAT BRITAIN

AT 0900 GMT ON 5 NOVEMBER 1975

Since the issue of the last bulletin (23 October 1975), England and Wales has been dry on most days. Scotland, however, has had some rain on all days, falling mainly over the north and north-west. Rainfall was widespread over Great Britain on 31 October, 1 and 2 November, and over Scotland and north-west England on 23 October and 4 November. The rainfall, for October, was only 40% of average over England and Wales, and 52% of average over Scotland. The largest reported falls of rain were at Carlisle and Eskdalemuir (17mm) on 23 October, at Benbecula (17mm) on 26th, at Rhoose (22mm) on 31st, at Carlisle (26mm) on 2 November and at Stornoway (14mm) on 4th.

Over England and Wales generally, deficits have decreased, especially in the west, since the last issue. Much of the western side of Great Britain is now at field capacity. The largest calculated composite deficits are still to be found in Lincolnshire (the maximum value being 124mm at Cranwell). Apart from the Midlands, central-southern and eastern England, which are well above average, deficits over England and Wales are near average for early November.

RATES OF SUBSCRIPTION: £7.50 per season

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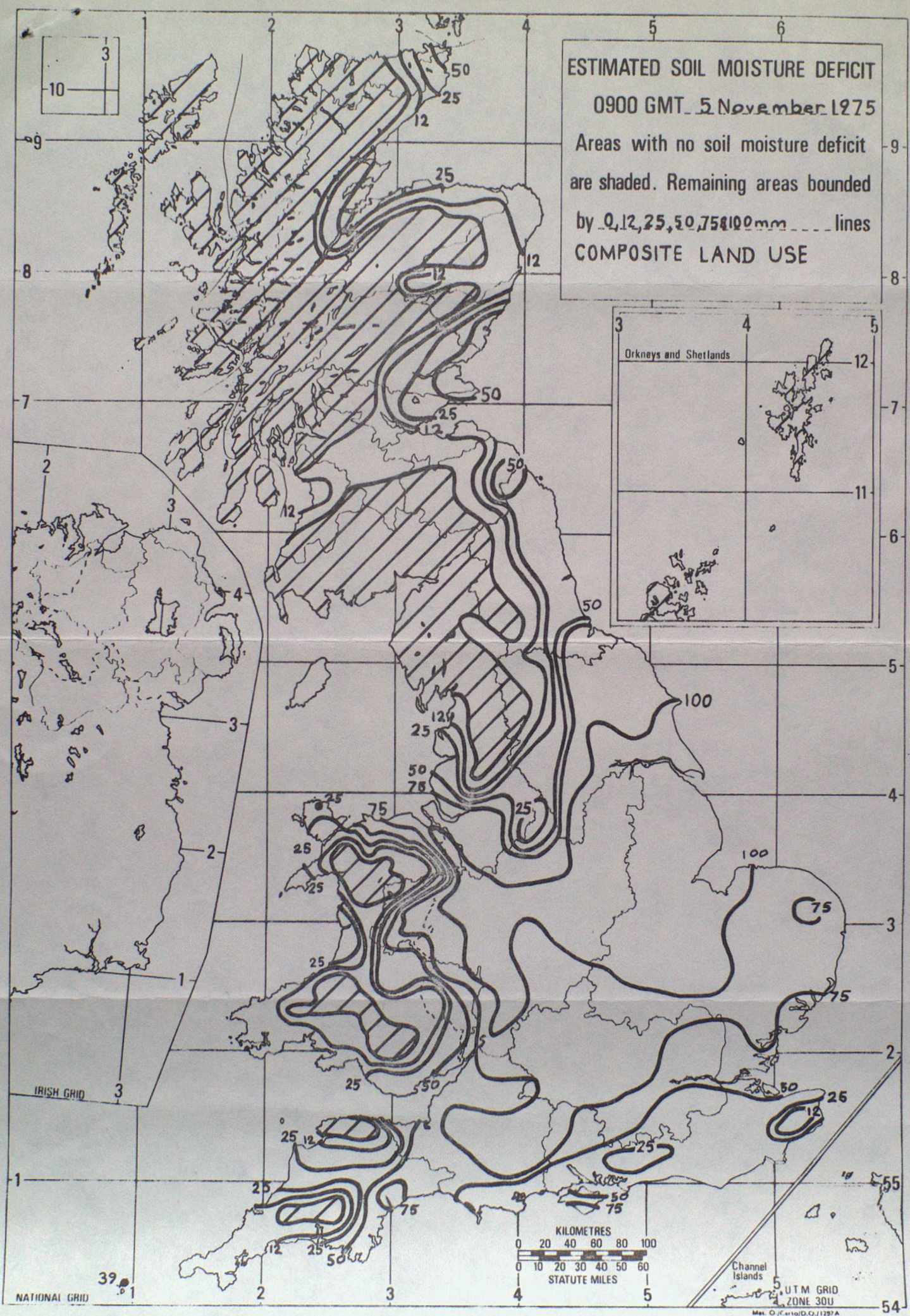
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SHORT-ROOTED VEGETATION

