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WHEAT



ANALYSIS

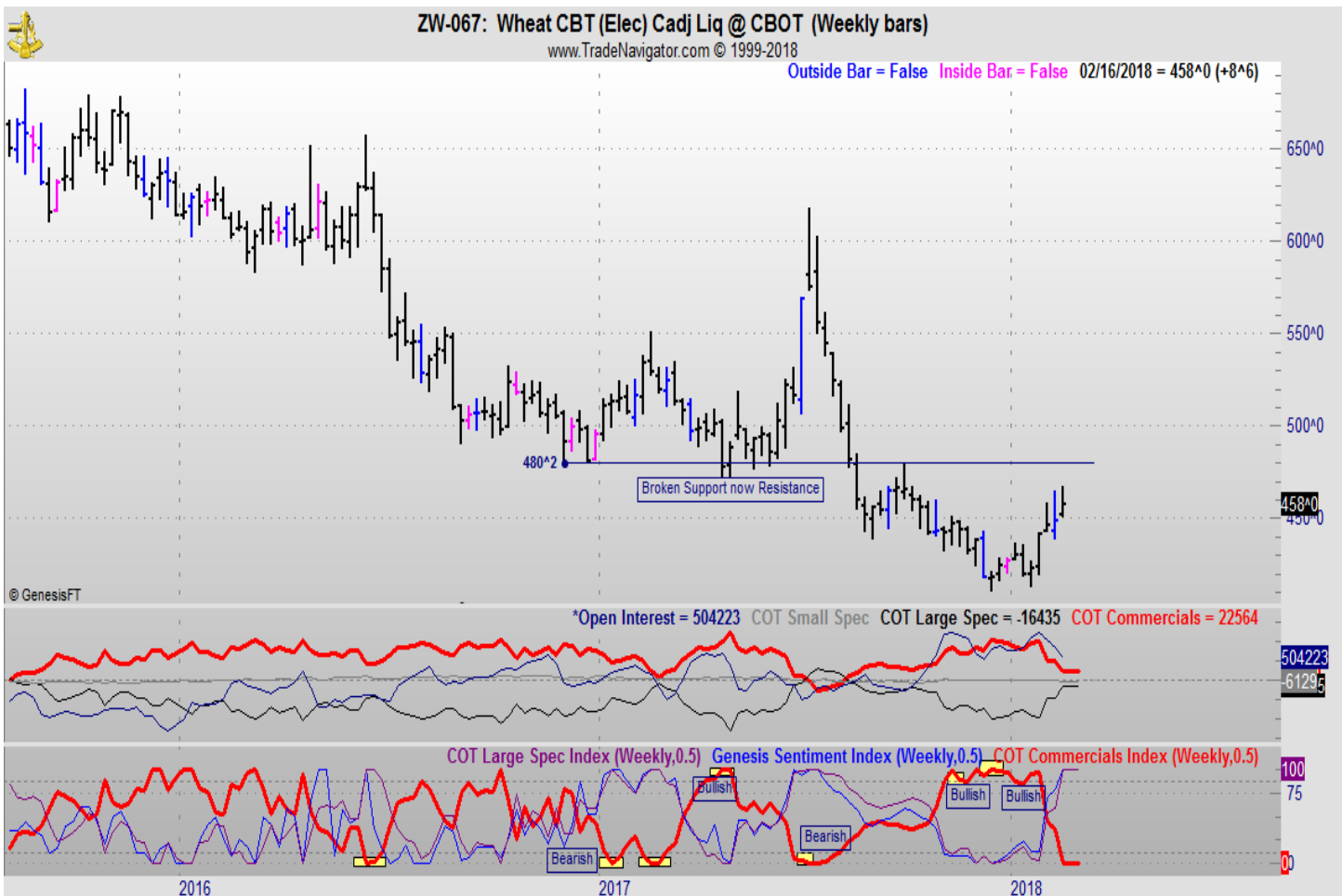
For the week, Chicago wheat closed \$.08 3/4 higher; Kansas City wheat closed \$.13 higher and Minneapolis wheat \$.01 3/4 higher.

Weekly export sales for all wheat showed a total of 15.5 mb (421,900 mt) with 11.4 mb (311,100 mt) for the 2017-2018 marketing year. This puts total marketing year sales at 775.9 mb, 12% below the previous marketing year. February is the last month before the winter wheat crop breaks dormancy, and grows into the June harvest. The key growing timeframe for wheat is the March through May period when wheat has broken dormancy and is growing toward maturity. That is when the biggest price appreciations can be witnessed. Wheat has begun to price in a premium due to dryness in the Plains. Producers should look to sell into the current rally and add to sales if the rally matures. Manage risk thru the use of option strategies.

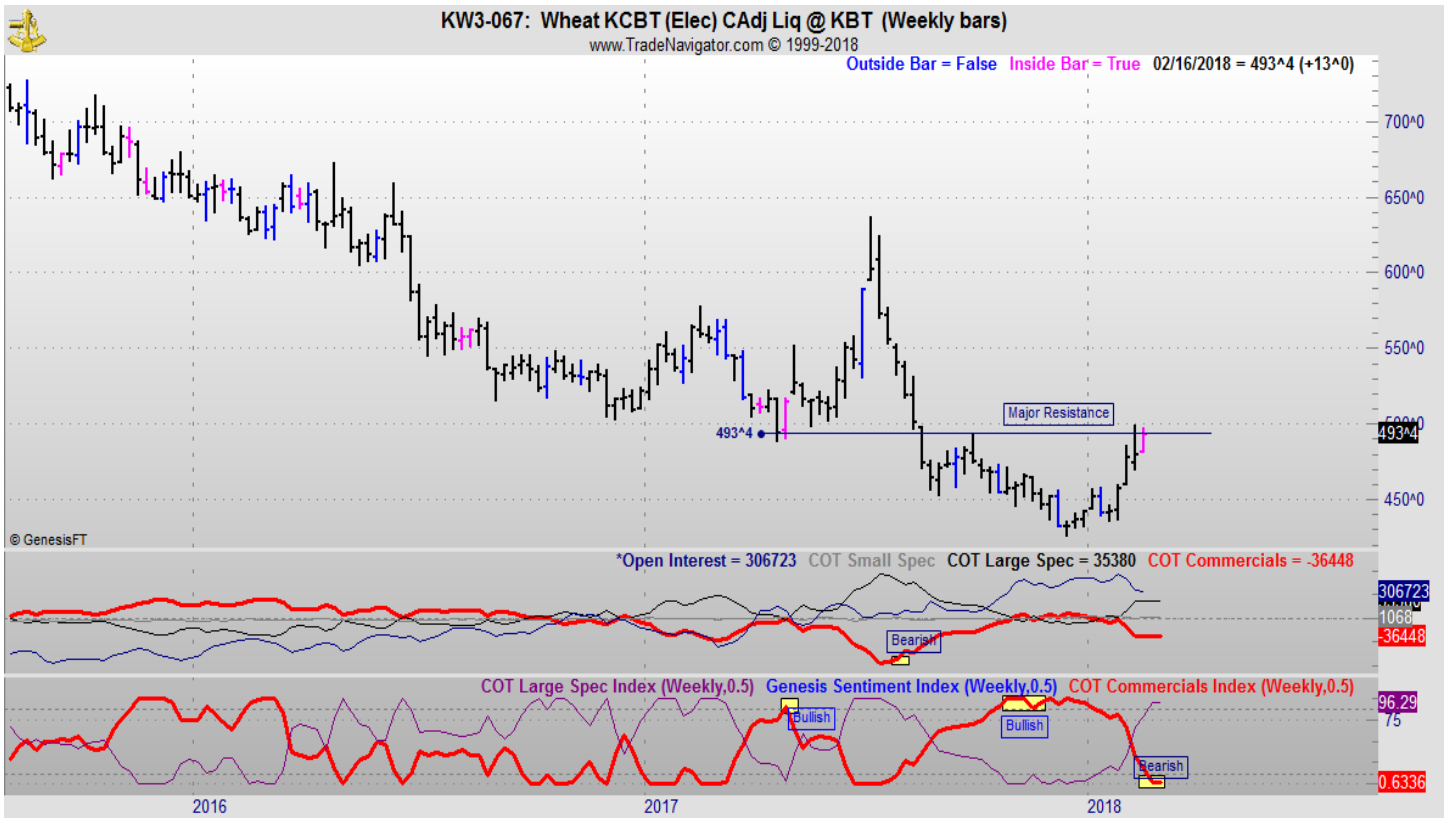
STRATEGY & OUTLOOK

Producers should look to sell cash inventory against out of the money calls on stored inventory.

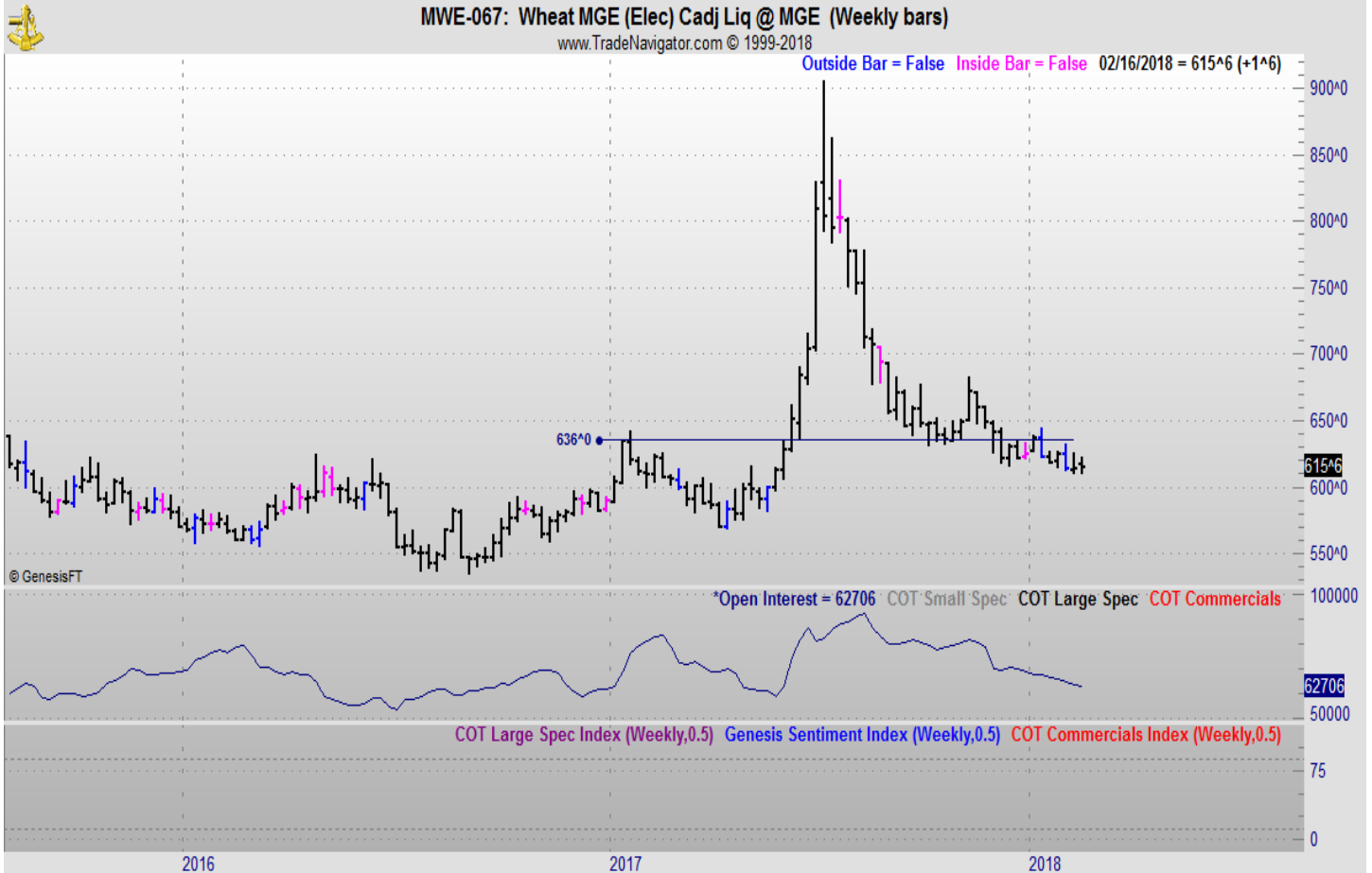
WEEKLY CHICAGO



WEEKLY KANSAS CITY



WEEKLY MINNEAPOLIS



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