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KANSAS CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

Manhattan, Kan. January 3, 2017 – For the month of December 2016, near-normal temperatures were experienced in eastern Kansas, whereas the west experienced temperatures from three to five degrees below normal, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Most the State remained dry, prompting some concerns over the development of winter wheat. Topsoil moisture rated 23 percent very short, 34 short, 42 adequate, and 1 surplus. Subsoil moisture rated 16 percent very short, 28 short, 55 adequate, and 1 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat condition rated 5 percent very poor, 14 poor, 37 fair, 42 good, and 2 excellent.

Cotton harvested was 92 percent, near 95 last year.

Livestock Report: Cattle and calf conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 2 poor, 22 fair, 68 good and 7 excellent. Calving progress was 7 percent complete. Cattle and calf death loss rated 0 percent heavy, 55 average, and 45 light.

Sheep and lamb conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 0 poor, 13 fair, 82 good and 5 excellent. Lambing progress was 3 percent complete. Sheep and lamb death loss rated 0 percent heavy, 55 average, and 45 light.

Hay and roughage supplies rated 0 percent very short, 3 short, 83 adequate, 14 surplus.

Stock water supplies were 2 percent very short, 8 short, 89 adequate, and 1 surplus.

Data for this release were provided at the county level by USDA Farm Service agency and KSU Extension Service.

Access the National publication for Crop Progress and Condition tables at: http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProg/2010s/2017/CropProg-01-03-2017.pdf

Access the High Plains Regional Climate Center for Temperature and Precipitation Maps at: http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/maps.php?map=ACISClimateMaps

Access the U.S. Drought Monitor at: http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/Home/StateDroughtMonitor.aspx?KS

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