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NEBRASKA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

LINCOLN, NE, November 25, 2013 -- For the week ending November 24, 2013, dry conditions the first half of the week allowed producers access to remaining unharvested corn and sorghum fields, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Precipitation, mainly in the form of snow, arrived the last half of the week and was limited in eastern areas but heavier in western counties. While pockets of extreme drought exist in western counties, statewide, soil moisture supplies going into the winter months are above year ago levels. Statewide, producers had 5.3 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 5 percent very short, 20 short, 75 adequate, and 0 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 12 percent very short, 31 short, 57 adequate, and 0 surplus.

This is the last weekly Crop Progress and Condition report for the 2013 growing season. We would like to extend our appreciation to the dedicated county FSA and extension staff who supplied the necessary information for these reports. For December through March, we will issue monthly reports. The first monthly report (December) will be issued December 30. Weekly reports will begin April 7th for the 2014 season.

Field Crops Report: Corn harvested was 96 percent, behind 100 last year but ahead of 90 average.

Sorghum harvest was 99 percent complete, behind 100 last year but ahead of 90 average.

Winter wheat condition rated 1 percent very poor, 3 poor, 25 fair, 63 good, and 8 excellent, well above year ago levels.

Proso millet was 95 percent harvested, behind 100 last year and 100 average.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Stock water supplies rated 3 percent very short, 11 short, 85 adequate, and 1 surplus.

Data for this news release were provided at the county level by USDA Farm Service Agency and UNL Extension Service.

Access the National publication for Crop Progress and Condition tables at: http://usda01.library.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProg/2010s/2013/CropProg-11-25-2013.pdf

Access the High Plains Region Climate Center for Temperature and Precipitation Maps at: http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/maps/current/index.php?action=update_region&state=NE®ion=HPRCC

Access the U.S. Drought Monitor at: http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/DM_state.htm?NE,HP