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NEBRASKA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

LINCOLN, NE, May 27, 2014 -- For the week ending May 25, 2014, precipitation across the Panhandle and drought-stricken southwestern counties was received early in the week with an inch or more common, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Rain also fell over the weekend across the southeast and east central areas but missed most northeastern counties. Statewide, corn planting was virtually complete and soybean planting was winding up. Temperatures averaged 4 to 6 degrees above normal. The number of days considered suitable for fieldwork were 5.5. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 9 percent very short, 28 short, 60 adequate, and 3 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 17 percent very short, 31 short, 51 adequate, and 1 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat condition rated 8 percent very poor, 19 poor, 33 fair, 38 good, and 2 excellent. Winter wheat jointed was 80 percent, ahead of 76 last year, but behind the five-year average of 88. Winter wheat headed was 28 percent, well ahead of 6 last year, but behind 33 average.

Corn planted was 97 percent, ahead of 94 last year, but equal to the average. Corn emerged was 74 percent, ahead of 56 last year but near 71 average.

Soybeans planted was 88 percent, well ahead of 59 last year and 76 average. Soybeans emerged was 42 percent well ahead of 15 last year and 35 average.

Sorghum planted was at 57 percent, well ahead of 35 last year and 44 average. Sorghum emerged was 13 percent, ahead of 4 last year, but equal to the average.

Oats condition rated 2 percent very poor, 17 poor, 41 fair, 39 good, and 1 excellent. Oats emerged was 96 percent, ahead of 91 last year, but near 95 average. Oats jointing was 27 percent. Oats headed was 6 percent, ahead of 3 last year, but behind 10 average.

Dry beans planted was 5 percent, near 4 last year, but behind 15 average.

Alfalfa hay condition rated 1 percent very poor, 10 poor, 39 fair, 43 good, and 7 excellent. Alfalfa hay first cutting was 10 percent complete, ahead of 2 last year, but behind the average of 24.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range condition rated 12 percent very poor, 15 poor, 40 fair, 32 good, and 1 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 5 percent very short, 11 short, 83 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://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProg//2010s/2014/CropProg-05-27-2014.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/Home/StateDroughtMonitor.aspx?NE>

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