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## NEBRASKA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

LINCOLN, NE, June 2, 2014 -- For the week ending June 1, 2014, precipitation of an inch or more was common across much of the state, however central counties received lesser amounts, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. This continued lack of significant rain in central areas has resulted in much of the area being added to the severe to extreme drought categories. Temperatures averaged 6 to 9 degrees above normal. Alfalfa was being cut for the first time with dry bean planting underway in western counties. The number of days considered suitable for fieldwork were 5.6. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 8 percent very short, 24 short, 65 adequate, and 3 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 16 percent very short, 31 short, 52 adequate, and 1 surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** Winter wheat conditions rated 8 percent very poor, 18 poor, 34 fair, 37 good, and 3 excellent. Winter wheat jointed was 94 percent, ahead of 90 last year, but equal to the five-year average. Winter wheat headed was 60 percent, well ahead of 24 last year, but near 56 average.

Corn conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 22 fair, 65 good, and 11 excellent. Corn emerged was 90 percent, ahead of 81 last year, but near 88 average.

Soybeans conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 23 good, 67 good, and 8 excellent. Soybeans planted was 96 percent, ahead of 78 last year and 89 average. Soybeans emerged was 72 percent, well ahead of 43 last year and 61 average.

Sorghum planted was at 78 percent, ahead of 59 last year and 64 average. Sorghum emerged was 23 percent, ahead of 17 last year, but behind 31 average.

Oat conditions rated 2 percent very poor, 17 poor, 39 fair, 39 good, and 1 excellent. Oats jointing was 31 percent. Oats headed was 16 percent, ahead of 10 last year, but behind 22 average.

Dry beans planted was 16 percent, behind 22 last year and 31 average.

Alfalfa hay conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 8 poor, 39 fair, 45 good, and 7 excellent. Alfalfa hay first cutting was 33 percent complete, well ahead of 8 last year, but behind the average of 38.

**Livestock, Pasture and Range Report:** Pasture and range conditions rated 12 percent very poor, 15 poor, 38 fair, 33 good, and 2 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 5 percent very short, 12 short, 82 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-06-02-2014.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&region=HPRCC](http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/maps/current/index.php?action=update_region&state=NE&region=HPRCC)

*Access the U.S. Drought Monitor at:*

<http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/Home/StateDroughtMonitor.aspx?NE>

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