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NEBRASKA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

LINCOLN, NE, June 16, 2014 -- For the week ending June 15, 2014, replanting of storm damaged crops was active in areas impacted by recent storms, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Strong storms this week resulted in additional damage to crops and irrigation equipment. Temperatures were cool and averaged 4 to 6 degrees below normal. Wheat was turning color in southern counties. Alfalfa first cutting advanced until rain late in the week slowed progress. Dry bean planting neared completion in western counties. Pastures continued to show improvement with the recent rains. The number of days considered suitable for fieldwork were 4.7. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 4 percent very short, 17 short, 72 adequate, and 7 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 13 percent very short, 23 short, 61 adequate, and 3 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat conditions rated 8 percent very poor, 16 poor, 32 fair, 41 good, and 3 excellent. Winter wheat headed was 94 percent, ahead of 84 last year, but near 91 average. Winter wheat coloring was 18 percent, ahead of 6 last year, but behind 30 average.

Corn conditions rated 3 percent very poor, 6 poor, 25 fair, 54 good, and 12 excellent.

Soybeans conditions rated 2 percent very poor, 5 poor, 25 fair, 59 good, and 9 excellent. Soybeans emerged was 97 percent, ahead of 87 last year and 92 average. Soybeans blooming was at 1 percent, near 0 last year and equal to the average.

Sorghum condition rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 42 fair, 51 good, and 5 excellent. Sorghum planted was at 98 percent, near 95 last year and 94 average. Sorghum emerged was 48 percent, well behind 69 last year and 74 average.

Oat conditions rated 3 percent very poor, 19 poor, 34 fair, 43 good, and 1 excellent. Oats jointing was 75 percent. Oats headed was 54 percent, ahead of 46 last year, but behind 60 average.

Dry beans planted was 86 percent, ahead of 81 last year and 77 average. Dry beans emerged was 55 percent, ahead of 39 last year and 38 average.

Proso millet planted was 35 percent, well behind 77 last year and 49 average.

Alfalfa hay conditions rated 2 percent very poor, 8 poor, 39 fair, 45 good, and 6 excellent. Alfalfa hay first cutting was 70 percent complete, ahead of 56 last year, but behind the average of 71. Alfalfa hay second cutting was 7 percent complete, ahead of 0 last year, but near 6 average.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 9 percent very poor, 14 poor, 35 fair, 38 good, and 4 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 4 percent very short, 8 short, 86 adequate, and 2 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-06-16-2014.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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