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NEBRASKA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

LINCOLN, NE, May 4, 2015 - For the week ending May 3, 2015, spring fieldwork was in full swing until rain fell over eastern areas on Saturday and Sunday, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. An inch or more of rain was recorded in many east central and southeastern counties, while the remainder of the State remained mostly dry. Temperatures averaged three degrees above normal. Some producers finished corn planting and were turning their attention to soybeans. There were 5.9 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 8 percent very short, 28 short, 60 adequate, and 4 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 12 percent very short, 27 short, 59 adequate, and 2 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Corn planted was at 57 percent, ahead of 41 last year and 38 for the five-year average. Emerged was at 9 percent, ahead of last year and average at 6.

Sorghum planted was at 11 percent, ahead of 3 last year and 2 average.

Soybeans planted was at 12 percent, near 10 last year and 9 average

Winter wheat condition rated 14 percent very poor, 19 poor, 32 fair, 33 good, and 2 excellent. Winter wheat jointed rated 52 percent complete, ahead of 19 last year and 34 average. Headed was at 3 percent, ahead of last year at 0, but equal to the five-year average.

Oats condition rated 3 percent very poor, 9 poor, 28 fair, 59 good, and 1 excellent. Oats emerged was at 84 percent, ahead of 69 last year and 59 average. Jointing was at 8 percent, ahead of 3 last year.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 7 percent very poor, 11 poor, 39 fair, 39 good, and 4 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 4 percent very short, 11 short, 84 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/2015/CropProg-05-04-2015.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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