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NEBRASKA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

LINCOLN, NE, July 13, 2015 - For the week ending July 12, 2015, temperatures were cool during much of the week before turning hot over the weekend, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Significant rainfall was limited to southern border counties, as well as parts of north central Nebraska and portions of the lower Panhandle. The seasonably hot conditions boosted crop development. The heat and high humidity stressed livestock. Wheat harvest progressed in southern counties. There were 6.0 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 4 percent very short, 19 short, 71 adequate, and 6 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 4 percent very short, 18 short, 73 adequate, and 5 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Corn condition rated 1 percent very poor, 5 poor, 21 fair, 58 good, and 15 excellent. Corn silking was at 22 percent, behind 29 last year and the five-year average of 30.

Sorghum condition rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 30 fair, 63 good, and 6 excellent. Sorghum headed was at 2 percent, behind 9 last year, but near 3 average.

Soybean condition rated 1 percent very poor, 6 poor, 22 fair, 58 good, and 13 excellent. Soybeans blooming was at 42 percent, behind 53 last year, but near 41 average. Setting pods was at 3 percent, behind 15 last year, but near 6 average.

Winter wheat condition rated 15 percent very poor, 19 poor, 30 fair, 35 good, and 1 excellent. Winter wheat coloring was at 96 percent, near 95 last year and 98 average. Mature was at 86 percent, well ahead of 61 last year and 60 average. Harvested was at 27 percent, near 28 last year, but behind 38 average.

Oats condition rated 2 percent very poor, 6 poor, 25 fair, 61 good, and 6 excellent. Oats coloring was at 81 percent, ahead of 66 last year. Mature was at 34 percent, equal to last year. Harvested was at 18 percent, ahead of 11 last year, but behind 28 average.

Alfalfa condition rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 24 fair, 58 good, and 13 excellent. Alfalfa hay first cutting was at 98 percent, near 100 for both last year and the average. Second cutting was at 45 percent, behind 51 last year and 58 average.

Proso millet planted was at 99 percent, well ahead of 79 last year, but near 95 average.

Dry edible beans condition rated 1 percent very poor, 3 poor, 20 fair, 69 good, and 7 excellent. Dry edible beans emerged was at 98 percent, equal to last year. Blooming was at 3 percent, near 5 last year and 6 average.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 2 percent very poor, 4 poor, 19 fair, 62 good, and 13 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 2 percent very short, 5 short, 91 adequate, and 2 surplus.

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

Access the National publication for Crop Progress and Condition tables at: http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProg/2010s/2015/CropProg-07-13-2015.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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