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NEBRASKA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

LINCOLN, NE, September 14, 2015 - For the week ending September 13, 2015, temperatures averaged near normal with rain confined to the eastern half of the State, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Silage cutting was active in a number of areas. Seed corn harvest had just begun and the first fields of high moisture corn were being taken. The last irrigation activities of the year were underway. Winter wheat seeding was progressing in western counties, as was dry bean and millet harvests. There were 5.7 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 7 percent very short, 29 short, 61 adequate, and 3 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 6 percent very short, 26 short, 66 adequate, and 2 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Corn condition rated 1 percent very poor, 5 poor, 19 fair, 56 good, and 19 excellent. Corn dough was at 96 percent, near 100 for both last year and the five-year average. Dented was at 86 percent, equal to last year, but behind 91 average. Mature was at 27 percent, equal to last year, and near 30 average. Harvested was at 1 percent, near 0 last year and 5 average.

Sorghum condition rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 27 fair, 58 good, and 13 excellent. Sorghum coloring was at 86 percent, near 88 last year, and ahead of 81 average. Mature was at 12 percent, near 9 last year and 8 average.

Soybean condition rated 1 percent very poor, 5 poor, 21 fair, 56 good, and 17 excellent. Soybeans dropping leaves was at 38 percent, ahead of 23 last year and 25 average.

Winter wheat planted was at 18 percent, behind 24 last year and 23 average.

Alfalfa condition rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 28 fair, 54 good, and 13 excellent. Alfalfa fourth cutting was at 61 percent, well ahead of 39 last year, and ahead of 47 average.

Dry edible beans condition rated 1 percent very poor, 3 poor, 20 fair, 68 good, and 8 excellent. Dry edible beans dropping leaves was at 93 percent, ahead of 75 last year, and well ahead of 70 average. Harvested was at 30 percent, ahead of 13 last year and 20 average.

Proso millet harvested was at 46 percent, well ahead of 4 last year, and ahead of 28 average.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 3 percent very poor, 7 poor, 27 fair, 54 good, and 9 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 2 percent very short, 9 short, 87 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-09-14-2015.pdf

Access the High Plains Region Climate Center for Temperature and Precipitation Maps at: http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/maps.php?map=ACISClimateMaps

Access the U.S. Drought Monitor at: http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/Home/StateDroughtMonitor.aspx?NE

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