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NEBRASKA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

Lincoln, NE – For the week ending August 7, 2016, temperatures averaged near normal as cooler conditions arrived the last half of the week, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Precipitation of an inch or more was limited to portions of the southeast and some central areas. In the west, Panhandle producers were preparing for winter wheat planting. Irrigation was active in many counties. There were 5.9 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 7 percent very short, 29 short, 63 adequate, and 1 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 5 percent very short, 26 short, 68 adequate, and 1 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Corn condition rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 19 fair, 59 good, and 17 excellent. Corn dough was 47 percent, ahead of 37 last year, and near the five-year average of 45. Dented was 9 percent, ahead of 4 last year, and equal to average.

Sorghum condition rated 0 percent very poor, 0 poor, 14 fair, 70 good, and 16 excellent. Sorghum headed was 73 percent, near 75 last year, but ahead of 62 average. Coloring was 5 percent, near 4 last year, and equal to average.

Soybeans condition rated 1 percent very poor, 3 poor, 19 fair, 62 good, and 15 excellent. Soybeans blooming was 94 percent, near 93 both last year and average. Setting pods was 65 percent, near 63 both last year and average.

Oats harvested was 85 percent, near 81 last year, but behind 90 average.

Alfalfa condition rated 4 percent very poor, 3 poor, 16 fair, 64 good, and 13 excellent. Alfalfa third cutting was 59 percent, well ahead of 38 last year, and ahead of 45 average. Fourth cutting was 4 percent, near 3 last year.

Dry edible beans condition rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 27 fair, 57 good, and 11 excellent. Dry edible beans blooming was 92 percent, ahead of 83 last year and 86 average. Setting pods was 77 percent, ahead of 63 last year and 58 average.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 2 percent very poor, 4 poor, 22 fair, 61 good, and 11 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 1 percent very short, 9 short, 88 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/2016/CropProg-08-08-2016.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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