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NEBRASKA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

Lincoln, NE – For the week ending October 16, 2016, temperatures averaged near normal in the east and two to six degrees above normal across western Nebraska, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Sugarbeet harvest was delayed in Panhandle counties due to the above normal temperatures. However, freezing temperatures at mid-week were reported across a wide area of the State. Rainfall was minimal, but heavy morning dews limited soybean harvest progress. There were 5.6 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 7 percent very short, 24 short, 65 adequate, and 4 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 7 percent very short, 24 short, 66 adequate, and 3 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Corn condition rated 1 percent very poor, 5 poor, 21 fair, 57 good, and 16 excellent. Corn mature was 96 percent, equal to last year, and near the five-year average of 93. Harvested was 34 percent, near 36 last year, and behind 40 average.

Sorghum condition rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 14 fair, 61 good, and 24 excellent. Sorghum harvested was 52 percent, well ahead of 30 both last year and average.

Soybeans condition rated 1 percent very poor, 3 poor, 19 fair, 57 good, and 20 excellent. Soybeans harvested was 62 percent, behind 73 last year and 74 average.

Winter wheat condition rated 2 percent very poor, 5 poor, 27 fair, 56 good, and 10 excellent. Winter wheat emerged was 90 percent, ahead of 79 last year and 73 average.

Alfalfa fourth cutting was 86 percent, behind 95 last year and 94 average.

Dry edible beans harvested was 96 percent, near 92 last year, and ahead of 91 average.

Proso millet harvested was 94 percent, near 95 last year and 90 average.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 4 percent very poor, 9 poor, 28 fair, 52 good, and 7 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 1 percent very short, 10 short, 88 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/2016/CropProg-10-17-2016.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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