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NEBRASKA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

LINCOLN, Neb. August 7, 2017 – For the week ending August 6, 2017, temperatures averaged six to eight degrees below normal, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Precipitation ranged from half an inch to two inches across most of the State. The cooler temperatures and rain alleviated some stress seen in corn and soybeans caused by prior dry conditions. There were 5.8 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 21 percent very short, 39 short, 40 adequate, and 0 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 20 percent very short, 38 short, 42 adequate, and 0 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Corn condition rated 5 percent very poor, 11 poor, 25 fair, 43 good, and 16 excellent. Corn silking was 97 percent, near 98 last year, and equal to the five-year average. Dough was 40 percent, near 44 last year, and behind 45 average. Dented was 3 percent, behind 8 last year and 10 average.

Soybean condition rated 4 percent very poor, 9 poor, 29 fair, 48 good, and 10 excellent. Soybeans blooming was 94 percent, near 93 both last year and average. Setting pods was 65 percent, near 62 last year and 63 average.

Sorghum condition rated 3 percent very poor, 3 poor, 30 fair, 51 good, and 13 excellent. Sorghum headed was 59 percent, behind 69 last year, and near 61 average. Coloring was 4 percent, equal to last year, and near 6 average.

Oats harvested was 91 percent, ahead of 84 last year, and near 88 average.

Alfalfa condition rated 4 percent very poor, 14 poor, 37 fair, 38 good, and 7 excellent. Alfalfa third cutting was 65 percent complete, ahead of 56 last year and 50 average. Fourth cutting was 12 percent.

Dry edible beans condition rated 11 percent very poor, 19 poor, 19 fair, 36 good, and 15 excellent. Dry edible beans blooming was 88 percent, near 92 last year. Setting pods was 57 percent, behind 75 last year, but near 56 average.

Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 15 percent very poor, 20 poor, 37 fair, 25 good, and 3 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 5 percent very short, 12 short, 83 adequate, and 0 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/2017/CropProg-08-07-2017.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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