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KANSAS CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

TOPEKA, KS, April 6, 2015 - For the week ending April 5, 2015, temperatures averaged four to eight degrees above normal, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Precipitation was reported in north and east with amounts up to one inch, while the southwest remained dry. Field activities included fertilizer and herbicide application and planting of spring crops. The lack of soil moisture continued to be a concern in a number of counties. There were 6.0 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture rated 20 percent very short, 37 short, 42 adequate, and 1 surplus. Subsoil moisture rated 21 percent very short, 43 short, 36 adequate, and 0 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat condition rated 6 percent very poor, 17 poor, 44 fair, 30 good, and 3 excellent. Winter wheat jointing was at 30 percent, ahead of 15 last year, but near the five-year average of 29.

Corn planted was at 6 percent, near 4 last year, and 2 average.

Livestock Report: Cattle and calf conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 2 poor, 31 fair, 60 good, and 6 excellent. Cattle and calf death loss rated 0 percent heavy, 72 average, and 28 light.

Sheep and lamb conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 0 poor, 32 fair, 64 good, and 4 excellent. Sheep and lamb death loss rated 0 percent heavy, 63 average, and 37 light.

Hay and roughage supplies rated 2 percent very short, 12 short, 83 adequate, and 3 surplus.

Stock water supplies rated 16 percent very short, 27 short, 57 adequate, and 0 surplus.

Data for this release were provided at the county level by USDA Farm Service agency and KSU Extension Service.

District level data are provided on the back page.

Access the National publication for Crop Progress and Condition tables at:

<http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProg/2010s/2015/CropProg-04-06-2015.pdf>

Access the High Plains Regional Climate Center for Temperature and Precipitation Maps at:

http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/maps/current/index.php?action=update_region&state=KS®ion=HPRCC

Access the U.S. Drought Monitor at:

<http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/Home/StateDroughtMonitor.aspx?KS>

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**Days Suitable, Soil Moisture and Crop Progress by District
For the Week Ending April 5, 2015**

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE
Days Suitable for Fieldwork	5.6	6.4	6.8	5.8	6.6	6.6	4.4	4.9	5.1	6.0
Topsoil Moisture	Percent									
Very Short	34	19	30	25	33	11	2	4	6	20
Short	35	48	33	41	41	49	20	29	21	37
Adequate	31	33	37	34	26	36	74	66	63	42
Surplus	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	1	10	1
Subsoil Moisture										
Very Short	37	18	39	25	21	10	7	8	7	21
Short	41	46	35	45	51	53	28	32	24	43
Adequate	22	35	26	30	28	37	61	60	68	36
Surplus	0	1	0	0	0	0	4	0	1	0
Winter Wheat Jointed	3	10	36	3	23	65	3	27	59	30
Corn Planted	0	0	2	0	7	6	1	9	44	6