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CALIFORNIA CROP PRODUCTION REPORT

SACRAMENTO -- The USDA, NASS, Pacific Region Office today released the crop production forecast for June. The latest survey, which was conducted during the last week of May and the first week of June, includes the following commodities:

Wheat - California's 2013 Durum wheat harvested acreage is estimated at 85,000 acres. The yield is forecast at 3.00 tons per acre, resulting in total production of 255,000 tons, a 40 percent decrease from 2012. Durum wheat experienced good growing conditions during the year. The durum wheat harvest is well underway in Southern California with no significant disease or pest pressure.

California's wheat other than Durum harvested acreage is estimated at 320,000 acres for 2013. The forecast yield is 2.55 tons per acre, bringing the total production to 816,000 tons. Recent warm weather has been good for the wheat crop. Winter wheat for grain dried in preparation for harvest. Crop condition was rated 90 percent good to excellent.

Production forecasts are released on a monthly basis and do not reflect final production estimates. Late summer and fall harvests may change these estimates considerably. The next production forecast will be issued July 11, 2013.

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