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## CALIFORNIA CROP PRODUCTION REPORT

**SACRAMENTO** -- The USDA-NASS, California Field Office today released the crop production forecast for November. The latest survey, which was conducted during the last week of October and the first week of November, included the following commodities:

**Corn** - Corn for grain production is expected to total 958 thousand tons, up 23 percent from last year. Harvested acreage of 180 thousand is up 20 percent, and the yield forecast of 4.96 tons per acre is unchanged from the previous year.

**Cotton** - Upland cotton is forecast at 475 thousand bales, down 9 percent from last month's forecast, and down 15 percent from last year. With harvested acreage of 141 thousand, the resulting yield is 1,617 pounds per acre. As of November 1st, cotton harvest was over half complete.

**Rice** - All rice production in California is forecast at 46.7 million cwt. for 2012, down 3 percent from the previous year. The yield forecast is 8,300 pounds per acre, and the harvested acreage is estimated at 563 thousand. Harvest began during the middle of September and is ongoing.

**Sugar Beets** - California sugar beet production is forecast at 1.05 million tons, down 5 percent from the 2011 crop. Harvested acreage is estimated at 24.5 thousand, and the yield forecast is 44.0 tons per acre.

Production forecasts are released on a monthly basis and do not reflect final production estimates. Late fall harvests may change these forecasts. The next production forecast will be issued December 11, 2012.

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