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KANSAS CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

TOPEKA, KS, July 8, 2013 -- For the week ending July 7, 2013, dry conditions with mild temperatures across most of Kansas helped wheat harvest pick up speed in the north with most farmers in southern and central parts of the State now finished, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. The break from the hot summer temperatures was welcomed for the Independence Day week with temperatures across the State averaging two to six degrees below normal. While the lack of moisture was advantageous for wheat farmers harvesting their fields, some row crops were suffering in areas needing rain, particularly in western Kansas. There were 6.8 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 21 percent very short, 47 short, 31 adequate, and 1 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 28 percent very short, 38 short, 34 adequate, and 0 surplus.

Field Crops Report: The winter wheat crop was 99 percent ripe, compared to 100 last year and 99 average. The crop was 87 percent harvested, behind last year's 100 but near 89 average.

Corn silking was 12 percent, behind 59 last year and 37 average. Corn condition rated 3 percent very poor, 11 poor, 37 fair, 43 good, and 6 excellent.

Sorghum was 94 percent emerged, near 93 last year and 92 average. Condition rated 2 percent very poor, 12 poor, 43 fair, 42 good, and 1 excellent.

Soybeans were 96 percent emerged, compared 100 last year and 96 average. The crop was 4 percent blooming, behind 29 last year and 17 average. Condition rated 1 percent very poor, 3 poor, 37 fair, 56 good, and 3 excellent.

Cotton planting was 95 percent complete, behind 100 last year and 100 average. The amount of crop squaring was 16 percent, well behind 64 last year and 50 average. Condition rated 0 percent very poor, 5 poor, 47 fair, 38 good, and 10 excellent.

Sunflower planting was 97 percent complete, ahead of last year's 95 and 89 average. The crop was 83 percent emerged, behind last year's 89 but ahead of 77 average. Condition rated 0 percent very poor, 6 poor, 47 fair, 42 good, and 5 excellent.

Alfalfa second cutting was 48 percent complete, well behind last year's 97 and 78 average.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: The condition of range and pasture rated 26 percent very poor, 19 poor, 24 fair, 27 good, and 4 excellent. Hay and forage supplies rated 24 percent very short, 16 short, 57 adequate, and 3 surplus. Stock water supplies rated 17 percent very short, 20 short, 62 adequate, and 1 surplus.

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

District level data is provided on the back page.

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

<http://usda01.library.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProg/2010s/2013/CropProg-07-08-2013.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/DM_state.htm?KS,HP

**Days Suitable and Soil Moisture by District
for the Week Ending July 7, 2013**

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR
Days Suitable for Fieldwork	6.9	6.6	6.8	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.6	6.6	6.9	6.8	6.3	6.8
Topsoil Moisture	Percent											
Very Short	51	32	54	25	14	12	0	4	6	21	17	47
Short	37	44	35	35	41	54	53	63	52	47	31	40
Adequate	12	24	11	40	43	33	46	32	41	31	50	13
Surplus	0	0	0	0	2	1	1	1	1	1	2	0
Subsoil Moisture	Percent											
Very Short	67	46	69	21	24	19	0	7	7	28	24	41
Short	29	41	25	39	44	51	39	41	35	38	31	43
Adequate	4	13	6	40	32	30	61	51	57	34	44	16
Surplus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0
Crop Progress	Percent											
Winter Wheat Ripe	93	97	100	99	100	100	99	100	100	99	85	100
Winter Wheat Harvested	45	89	91	90	99	97	87	92	95	87	57	100
Corn Silking	1	6	13	3	16	32	13	10	29	12	3	59
Sorghum Emerged	98	93	88	98	98	88	100	97	97	94	84	93
Soybeans Emerged	100	94	97	100	99	93	99	98	82	96	89	100