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KANSAS CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

TOPEKA, KS, July 15, 2013 -- For the week ending July 14, 2013, temperatures heated up across Kansas, with most areas 4 to 8 degrees above normal, and some reports of record-high temperatures, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Most areas through central and northern Kansas received some showers last week. In addition, West Central and Southwest counties along the Colorado border received up to an inch of rain, a welcome relief to that drought-stricken area. Withering dryland corn and sorghum crops were reported in areas struggling through last week's heat and dry conditions. There were 6.4 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 27 percent very short, 47 short, 25 adequate, and 1 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 31 percent very short, 43 short, 26 adequate, and 0 surplus.

Field Crops Report: The winter wheat crop was 98 percent harvested, compared to last year's 100 and 97 average.

Corn silking was 33 percent, behind 70 last year and 56 average. Corn dough was 4 percent, behind 28 last year and 10 average. Corn condition rated 7 percent very poor, 15 poor, 38 fair, 36 good, and 4 excellent.

Sorghum was 97 percent emerged, near 99 last year and 98 average. The crop was 1 percent headed, behind 9 last year and 4 average. Condition rated 2 percent very poor, 12 poor, 43 fair, 42 good, and 1 excellent.

Soybeans were 21 percent blooming, behind 44 last year and 31 average. Setting pods were 2 percent, compared to 4 last year and 2 average. Condition rated 2 percent very poor, 7 poor, 45 fair, 43 good, and 3 excellent.

Cotton squaring was 50 percent, behind 77 last year and 68 average. The portion of the crop setting bolls was 2 percent, behind 18 last year and 5 average. Condition rated 0 percent very poor, 6 poor, 51 fair, 34 good, and 9 excellent.

Sunflower was 93 percent emerged, near last year's 92 but ahead of 86 average. Condition rated 2 percent very poor, 8 poor, 39 fair, 44 good, and 7 excellent.

Alfalfa second cutting was 73 percent complete, well behind last year's 100 and 89 average. Third cutting was 4 percent complete, well behind 48 last year and 16 average.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: The condition of range and pasture rated 26 percent very poor, 21 poor, 31 fair, 20 good, and 2 excellent. Hay and forage supplies rated 24 percent very short, 19 short, 54 adequate, and 3 surplus. Stock water supplies rated 16 percent very short, 26 short, 57 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-07-15-2013.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 14, 2013**

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR
Days Suitable for Fieldwork	6.3	6.2	6.4	6.3	5.8	6.5	6.6	6.8	6.9	6.4	6.8	6.5
Topsoil Moisture	Percent											
Very Short	47	32	54	26	12	14	29	11	19	27	21	53
Short	44	45	36	34	43	41	42	72	61	47	47	36
Adequate	7	23	10	39	43	42	29	17	20	25	31	11
Surplus	2	0	0	1	2	3	0	0	0	1	1	0
Subsoil Moisture	Percent											
Very Short	70	48	66	23	22	19	27	8	14	31	28	47
Short	28	39	29	42	46	49	31	63	48	43	38	41
Adequate	2	13	5	35	32	32	42	29	38	26	34	12
Surplus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Crop Progress	Percent											
Winter Wheat Harvested	85	97	99	100	100	100	99	99	99	98	87	100
Corn Silking	6	16	27	14	40	58	52	42	51	33	12	70
Sorghum Emerged	100	96	92	99	99	95	100	99	99	97	94	99
Soybeans Blooming	20	6	32	9	12	39	29	31	12	21	4	44