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KANSAS CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

TOPEKA, KS, August 12, 2013 -- For the week ending August 11, 2013, rain storms brought much needed moisture to most of western Kansas, but dumped 3 to 7 inches in south central and southeastern areas of the State, causing flash flooding, water-logged crops, and halting field activities, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. There were some isolated reports of wind damage to crops, equipment and farm buildings. The storms also brought cooler temperatures to most of the State, averaging 4 to 8 degrees below normal through central, north central and northeastern Kansas. As a result of wet conditions, there were only 2.0 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 8 percent very short, 13 short, 53 adequate, and 26 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 17 percent very short, 18 short, 51 adequate, and 14 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Corn silking was 97 percent, near 100 last year and 98 average. Corn in dough was 59 percent, behind 82 last year and 68 average. Corn dented was 9 percent, well behind 58 last year and 31 average. Corn condition rated 10 percent very poor, 16 poor, 33 fair, 35 good, and 6 excellent.

Sorghum heading was 53 percent, near 56 last year and 55 average. Sorghum coloring was 2 percent, behind 12 last year and 7 average. Condition rated 5 percent very poor, 10 poor, 36 fair, 43 good, and 6 excellent.

Soybeans were 82 percent blooming, near 85 last year and 84 average. Setting pods were 43 percent, compared to 47 last year and 50 average. Condition rated 2 percent very poor, 7 poor, 29 fair, 54 good, and 8 excellent.

Cotton squaring was 83 percent, behind 93 last year and 96 average. The portion of the crop setting bolls was 34 percent, behind 72 last year and 63 average. Condition rated 0 percent very poor, 5 poor, 45 fair, 40 good, and 10 excellent.

Sunflower blooming was 54 percent, behind 59 last year but near 57 average. One percent of the sunflowers were in the ray flower dried stage, behind 16 last year and 7 average. Condition rated 4 percent very poor, 13 poor, 42 fair, 39 good, and 2 excellent.

Alfalfa third cutting was 36 percent complete, well behind 83 last year and 77 average.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: The condition of range and pasture rated 19 percent very poor, 20 poor, 27 fair, 30 good, and 4 excellent. Stock water supplies rated 10 percent very short, 16 short, 61 adequate, and 13 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-08-12-2013.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 August 11, 2013**

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR
Days Suitable for Fieldwork	4.7	2.9	2.6	3.2	1.4	0.7	3.7	0.5	0.3	2.0	2.5	6.9
Topsoil Moisture	Percent											
Very Short	32	14	19	9	0	2	1	0	1	8	12	72
Short	36	26	24	15	7	3	7	6	2	13	17	24
Adequate	32	58	52	60	67	48	90	47	29	53	52	4
Surplus	0	2	5	16	26	47	2	47	68	26	19	0
Subsoil Moisture	Percent											
Very Short	54	31	44	18	6	2	1	4	2	17	20	69
Short	35	32	30	28	13	12	13	9	3	18	28	27
Adequate	11	37	25	51	65	62	84	60	56	51	45	4
Surplus	0	0	1	3	16	24	2	27	39	14	7	0
Crop Progress	Percent											
Corn Silking	98	80	97	98	99	99	100	100	97	97	87	100
Corn Dough	25	60	59	58	80	84	76	67	66	59	41	82
Corn Dent	1	4	7	3	10	22	7	13	20	9	3	58
Sorghum Headed	63	57	49	48	44	68	59	39	40	53	29	56
Soybeans Blooming	70	66	85	96	84	92	94	72	55	82	69	85
Soybeans Setting Pods	22	25	37	52	50	41	65	35	20	43	24	47