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KANSAS CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

TOPEKA, KS, September 9, 2013 -- For the week ending September 8, 2013, another hot, dry week across the State with average temperatures well above normal, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. The extreme heat and lack of rainfall caused soybean conditions to decline when compared to the previous week. Farmers were busy cutting hay and silage, spraying pesticides, and preparing fields for wheat seeding. Though many producers are waiting for some rain before planting. There were 6.8 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 20 percent very short, 48 short, 31 adequate, and 1 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 19 percent very short, 39 short, 41 adequate, and 1 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat planted was 2 percent, equal to 2 last year and the 2 average.

Corn in dough was 97 percent, near 100 last year and 99 average. Corn dented was 75 percent, behind 94 last year and 90 average. Thirteen percent of the crop was mature, well behind 72 last year and 47 average. Corn harvested was 3 percent complete, behind 40 last year, and 17 average. Corn condition rated 14 percent very poor, 18 poor, 30 fair, 31 good, and 7 excellent.

Sorghum coloring was 51 percent, behind 59 last year and 57 average. Sorghum mature was 2 percent, behind 13 last year and 8 average. Condition rated 6 percent very poor, 13 poor, 31 fair, 43 good, and 7 excellent.

Soybean setting pods were 94 percent, compared to 90 last year and 94 average. Soybeans dropping leaves were 9 percent, behind 22 last year and 14 average. Condition rated 3 percent very poor, 11 poor, 37 fair, 44 good, and 5 excellent.

The portion of the cotton crop setting bolls was 80 percent, behind 94 last year and 97 average. Cotton with open bolls was 10 percent, behind 37 last year and 22 average. Condition rated 2 percent very poor, 11 poor, 44 fair, 35 good, and 8 excellent.

Sunflower blooming was 96 percent, near 94 last year and 95 average. Fifty-six percent of the sunflowers were in the ray flower dried stage, behind 64 last year but ahead of 53 average. Crop that had turned yellow was 19 percent, behind 46 percent last year and 26 average. Sunflowers that turned brown was 2 percent, behind 11 last year and 4 average. Condition rated 7 percent very poor, 15 poor, 46 fair, 30 good, and 2 excellent.

The fourth cutting of alfalfa was 24 percent complete, behind 40 last year and 42 average.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: The condition of range and pasture rated 18 percent very poor, 18 poor, 34 fair, 26 good, and 4 excellent. Stock water supplies rated 10 percent very short, 19 short, 70 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-09-09-2013.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 September 8, 2013**

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR
Days Suitable for Fieldwork	6.9	6.8	6.9	6.9	6.8	7	6.3	6.8	6.9	6.8	6.8	5.9
Topsoil Moisture	Percent											
Very Short	55	20	43	24	7	9	11	15	6	20	13	45
Short	36	43	35	46	48	52	56	66	51	48	39	30
Adequate	9	37	22	30	40	38	33	19	42	31	46	24
Surplus	0	0	0	0	5	1	0	0	1	1	2	1
Subsoil Moisture	Percent											
Very Short	62	34	44	21	8	4	3	8	4	19	17	60
Short	36	35	34	43	38	30	55	54	28	39	32	30
Adequate	2	31	22	35	50	65	42	38	66	41	50	10
Surplus	0	0	0	1	4	1	0	0	2	1	1	0
Crop Progress	Percent											
Corn Dough	92	98	99	99	100	100	99	100	100	97	94	100
Corn Dent	54	65	77	68	94	93	78	85	92	75	56	94
Corn Mature	10	1	7	2	36	32	5	21	26	13	4	72
Sorghum Coloring	55	56	42	39	54	63	67	59	63	51	30	59
Soybeans Setting Pods	85	88	80	100	98	98	96	92	83	94	83	90
Soybeans Dropping Leaves	10	2	3	17	11	10	4	9	3	9	3	22