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KANSAS CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

TOPEKA, KS, September 8, 2014 -- For the week ending September 7, 2014, thunderstorms brought rain to much of Kansas with some areas in the east reporting three or more inches, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. The wet conditions delayed corn harvest. As field conditions allowed, farmers were fertilizing and preparing wheat fields for planting. There were 4.8 days suitable for field work. Topsoil moisture rated 9 percent very short, 25 percent short, 64 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture rated 18 percent very short, 32 percent short, 49 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus.

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

Corn conditions rated 6 percent very poor, 11 poor, 29 fair, 41 good, and 13 excellent. Corn in the dough stage was 96 percent, near 97 last year and the five-year average of 98. Corn dented was 77 percent, ahead of 72 last year, but behind 86 average. Corn mature was 36 percent, well ahead of 12 last year, but behind 42 average. Corn harvested was 12 percent, ahead of 3 last year, but near 16 average.

Sorghum conditions rated 4 percent very poor, 10 poor, 32 fair, 45 good, and 9 excellent. Sorghum headed was 94 percent, near 98 last year, but equal to the average. Sorghum coloring was 50 percent, near 48 last year and 54 average. Sorghum mature was 9 percent, ahead of 2 last year and near 6 average.

Soybean conditions rated 3 percent very poor, 10 poor, 39 fair, 40 good, and 8 excellent. Soybeans setting pods was at 95, near 93 last year and 94 average. Soybeans dropping leaves was 11 percent, near 8 last year and 12 average.

Sunflower conditions rated 3 percent very poor, 7 poor, 32 fair, 51 good, and 7 excellent. Sunflowers blooming was 91 percent, behind 96 last year and 95 average. Ray flowers dried was 36 percent, behind 54 last year and 52 average. Sunflowers turning yellow was 12 percent, behind 18 last year and 24 average.

Cotton conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 34 fair, 53 good, and 8 excellent. Cotton bolls opening was 17 percent, ahead of 9 last year, but near the average of 20.

Alfalfa hay conditions rated 5 percent very poor, 12 poor, 39 fair, 37 good, and 7 excellent. Alfalfa hay third cutting was 93 percent complete, behind 98 last year, but near 96 average. Alfalfa hay fourth cutting was 38 percent complete, ahead of 23 last year, but near 36 average.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 8 percent very poor, 16 poor, 41 fair, 33 good, and 2 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 8 percent very short, 17 short, 74 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://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProg//2010s/2014/CropProg-09-08-2014.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/Home/StateDroughtMonitor.aspx?KS>

**Days Suitable, Soil Moisture, and Crop Progress, by District
for the Week Ending September 7, 2014**

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR
Days Suitable for Fieldwork	5.3	4.8	5.3	3.6	4.4	5.8	4.4	4.2	4.4	4.8	5.3	6.8
Topsoil Moisture	Percent											
Very Short	18	10	21	5	6	7	1	7	5	9	14	19
Short	31	26	28	25	34	27	14	19	23	25	32	47
Adequate	50	57	50	65	55	65	85	71	69	64	52	33
Surplus	1	7	1	5	5	1	0	3	3	2	2	1
Subsoil Moisture	Percent											
Very Short	34	15	37	25	12	7	6	11	10	18	21	19
Short	34	32	26	41	42	28	32	32	28	32	35	38
Adequate	30	47	37	32	44	64	62	57	62	49	43	42
Surplus	2	6	0	2	2	1	0	0	0	1	1	1
Crop Progress	Percent											
Corn Dough	92	94	97	99	100	97	98	99	99	96	94	97
Corn Dented	64	59	67	88	90	88	84	94	96	77	66	72
Corn Mature	11	11	19	18	69	59	7	73	85	36	25	12
Corn Harvested	3	1	0	3	26	17	4	24	60	12	7	3
Sorghum Headed	98	96	94	93	95	94	98	95	92	94	89	98
Sorghum Coloring	60	49	31	48	56	68	68	73	71	50	35	48
Sorghum Mature	0	8	0	3	17	31	3	12	45	9	5	2
Soybeans Setting Pods	88	94	86	99	96	97	98	98	85	95	87	93
Soybeans Dropping	16	18	10	12	23	14	5	11	11	11	6	8