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## KANSAS CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

TOPEKA, KS, March 2, 2015 -- For the month of February 2015, temperatures in the eastern half of the State averaged 4 to 8 degrees below normal, while the western portion remained near normal, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. All of Kansas received some precipitation with the heaviest amounts in the northeast. Livestock continued to graze on crop residue with supplemental feeding reported. Cold temperatures caused livestock producers to increase care. Topsoil moisture rated 12 percent very short, 30 short, 58 adequate, and 0 surplus. Subsoil moisture rated 18 percent very short, 35 short, 47 adequate, and 0 surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** Winter wheat condition rated 2 percent very poor, 10 poor, 44 fair, 41 good, and 3 excellent.

**Livestock Report:** Cattle and calf conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 31 fair, 60 good, and 7 excellent. Cattle and calf death loss rated 0 percent heavy, 75 average, and 25 light.

Sheep and lamb conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 0 poor, 30 fair, 64 good, and 6 excellent. Sheep and lamb death loss rated 0 percent heavy, 66 average, and 34 light.

Hay and roughage supplies rated 1 percent very short, 8 short, 86 adequate, and 5 surplus.

Stock water supplies rated 8 percent very short, 27 short, 65 adequate, and 0 surplus.

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[http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/maps/current/index.php?action=update\\_region&state=KS&region=HPRCC](http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/maps/current/index.php?action=update_region&state=KS&region=HPRCC)

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