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KANSAS CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

TOPEKA, KS, April 13, 2015 - For the week ending April 12, 2015, temperatures averaged four to eight degrees above normal for a second consecutive week, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. The eastern portion of the State received up to three inches of precipitation, while the west remained dry. Field activities included planting preparations and burning pastures where allowed. Winter wheat and alfalfa were beginning to show signs of insect damage in some areas. There were 5.9 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture rated 22 percent very short, 34 short, 42 adequate, and 2 surplus. Subsoil moisture rated 23 percent very short, 42 short, 35 adequate, and 0 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat condition rated 8 percent very poor, 20 poor, 44 fair, 26 good, and 2 excellent. Winter wheat jointing was at 42 percent, ahead of 29 last year, but equal to the five-year average. Headed was 2 percent, ahead of 0 last year, but near 3 average.

Corn planted was at 14 percent, ahead of 10 last year, and 8 average. Emerged was 1 percent, near 2 last year, and 0 average.

Livestock Report: Cattle and calf conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 2 poor, 30 fair, 61 good, and 6 excellent. Cattle and calf death loss rated 1 percent heavy, 71 average, and 28 light.

Sheep and lamb conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 0 poor, 29 fair, 66 good, and 5 excellent. Sheep and lamb death loss rated 0 percent heavy, 63 average, and 37 light.

Hay and roughage supplies rated 2 percent very short, 13 short, 82 adequate, and 3 surplus.

Stock water supplies rated 16 percent very short, 28 short, 56 adequate, and 0 surplus.

Data for this release were provided at the county level by USDA Farm Service agency and KSU Extension Service.

District level data are 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/2015/CropProg-04-13-2015.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>

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**Days Suitable, Soil Moisture and Crop Progress by District
For the Week Ending April 12, 2015**

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE
Days Suitable for Fieldwork	5.5	6.7	6.7	6.1	6.4	6.1	5.0	5.2	4.1	5.9
Topsoil Moisture	Percent									
Very Short	34	21	39	26	32	12	5	6	6	22
Short	35	46	31	41	37	45	18	18	22	34
Adequate	31	33	30	33	31	39	73	69	62	42
Surplus	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	7	10	2
Subsoil Moisture										
Very Short	37	19	46	25	24	13	11	7	7	23
Short	41	47	31	45	47	53	26	32	27	42
Adequate	22	33	23	30	29	34	59	60	63	35
Surplus	0	1	0	0	0	0	4	1	3	0
Winter Wheat Jointed	4	19	51	8	46	77	6	39	80	42
Corn Planted	0	2	7	3	32	20	4	31	60	14