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KANSAS CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

TOPEKA, KS, May 4, 2015 - For the week ending May 3, 2015, precipitation was limited to extreme south western portions of the State where amounts totaled up to one inch, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Other areas of the west received lesser amounts while the central and east remained mostly dry. Temperatures were near normal. Some reporters continued to indicate that wheat was stressed due to rust pressure and drought. Activities included planting of spring crops and moving cattle to summer pasture. There were 5.6 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture rated 12 percent very short, 26 short, 59 adequate, and 3 surplus. Subsoil moisture rated 19 percent very short, 34 short, 46 adequate, and 1 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat condition rated 11 percent very poor, 21 poor, 41 fair, 25 good, and 2 excellent. Winter wheat jointed was at 91 percent, ahead of 75 last year and the five-year average of 82. Headed was 41 percent, well ahead of 13 last year, and 28 average.

Corn planted was at 52 percent, near 50 last year and ahead of 47 average. Emerged was 23 percent, ahead of last year and average of 18.

Soybeans planted was at 6 percent, near 4 last year and 5 average.

Sorghum planted was 1 percent, equal to last year and near 2 average.

Cotton planted was at 2 percent, near 5 last year and 3 average.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Conditions: Pasture and range condition rated 6 very poor, 12 poor, 40 fair, 37 good and 5 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 9 percent very short, 26 short, 64 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 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-05-04-2015.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 May 3, 2015**

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE
Days Suitable for Fieldwork	4.9	6.0	5.4	5.5	5.7	6.1	5.6	5.1	5.3	5.6
Topsoil Moisture	Percent									
Very Short	7	8	35	16	13	4	2	2	2	12
Short	27	37	33	38	32	21	14	12	10	26
Adequate	58	54	32	45	51	66	84	78	84	59
Surplus	8	1	0	1	4	9	0	8	4	3
Subsoil Moisture										
Very Short	22	16	47	25	16	8	9	4	4	19
Short	43	43	30	40	43	38	23	20	16	34
Adequate	35	41	23	35	38	53	68	70	76	46
Surplus	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	6	4	1
Winter Wheat Jointed	67	88	97	90	94	96	96	94	97	91
Winter Wheat Headed	3	23	35	15	52	77	5	17	73	41
Corn Planted	16	21	31	43	77	77	75	88	89	52
Corn Emerged	3	2	9	12	44	38	18	54	72	23
Soybeans Planted	0	0	6	1	13	11	5	7	5	6