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KANSAS CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

TOPEKA, KS, September 21, 2015 - For the week ending September 20, 2015, warm, mostly dry conditions were experienced throughout Kansas according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Some areas in the eastern third of the State received up to one inch of rain. There were 6.4 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture rated 11 percent very short, 30 short, 57 adequate, and 2 surplus. Subsoil moisture rated 10 percent very short, 28 short, 62 adequate, and 0 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat planted rated 11 percent, near 14 last year and 12 for the five-year average.

Corn condition rated 3 percent very poor, 9 poor, 31 fair, 47 good, and 10 excellent. Corn dented was 96 percent, near 93 last year and 97 average. Mature was 70 percent, ahead of 58 last year, but near 72 average. Harvested was 27 percent, near 25 last year, but behind 35 average.

Soybeans condition rated 2 percent very poor, 8 poor, 33 fair, 49 good, and 8 excellent. Soybeans dropping leaves rated 34 percent, near 36 last year and 38 average. Harvested was 1 percent, ahead of 0 last year, but equal to the average.

Sorghum condition rated 2 percent very poor, 6 poor, 28 fair, 54 good, and 10 excellent. Sorghum coloring was 91 percent, ahead of 80 last year and 79 average. Mature rated 37 percent, ahead of 22 both last year and average. Harvested was 8 percent, ahead of 3 last year, but near 4 average.

Sunflowers condition rated 1 very poor, 2 poor, 30 fair, 58 good, and 9 excellent. Sunflowers ray flowers dried rated 67 percent, near 66 last year, but behind 75 average. Bracts turning yellow rated 15 percent, well behind 42 last year and 54 average.

Alfalfa fourth cutting was 72 percent, ahead of 57 both last year and 54 average.

Cotton condition rated 0 percent very poor, 10 poor, 26 fair, 52 good, and 12 excellent. Cotton setting bolls was 96 percent, near 93 last year and 97 average. Bolls opening rated 29 percent, near 30 last year, but behind 39 average. Harvested was 2 percent, ahead of 0 both last year and average.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Conditions: Pasture and range condition rated 3 very poor, 10 poor, 33 fair, 46 good, and 8 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 4 percent very short, 10 short, 85 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-09-21-2015.pdf>

Access the High Plains Regional Climate Center for Temperature and Precipitation Maps at:

<http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/maps.php?map=ACISClimateMaps>

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 September 20, 2015**

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE
Days Suitable for Fieldwork	6.6	6.9	6.9	6.4	6.9	6.5	5.4	4.8	5.5	6.4
Topsoil Moisture	Percent									
Very Short	36	7	10	17	20	1	11	0	0	11
Short	39	41	33	43	36	16	21	15	19	30
Adequate	25	52	57	40	43	76	67	81	80	57
Surplus	0	0	0	0	1	7	1	4	1	2
Subsoil Moisture										
Very Short	31	8	13	18	11	1	1	3	1	10
Short	36	31	32	34	36	15	33	22	14	28
Adequate	33	61	55	48	53	84	66	73	84	62
Surplus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0
Corn Dented	96	92	94	99	98	99	95	98	100	96
Corn Mature	47	57	70	71	91	81	68	88	95	70
Corn Harvested	11	16	18	11	48	45	13	42	71	27
Soybeans Drop Leaves	81	52	60	60	53	28	28	15	16	34
Sorghum Coloring	92	96	93	87	93	88	70	88	89	91
Sorghum Mature	29	33	40	31	41	51	7	11	58	37
Sorghum Harvested	2	7	8	2	9	21	0	0	23	8
Winter Wheat Planted	10	10	33	3	3	9	1	6	4	11