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KANSAS CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

Manhattan, KS – For the week ending September 18, 2016, the northeast received three to five inches of rain while the southwest remained dry, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Temperatures were above normal in the east and below normal in the west. There were 4.3 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture rated 3 percent very short, 9 short, 72 adequate, and 16 surplus. Subsoil moisture rated 2 percent very short, 11 short, 77 adequate, and 10 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat planted was 9 percent, equal to both last year and the five-year average.

Corn condition rated 2 percent very poor, 6 poor, 26 fair, 55 good, and 11 excellent. Corn dented was 96 percent, near 95 both last year and average. Mature was 65 percent, equal to last year, and near 64 average. Harvested was 17 percent, behind 22 last year and behind 29 average.

Soybean condition rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 25 fair, 55 good, and 15 excellent. Soybeans dropping leaves was 19 percent, behind 30 last year and 32 average.

Sorghum condition rated 1 percent very poor, 3 poor, 21 fair, 58 good, and 17 excellent. Sorghum coloring was 92 percent, near 89 last year, and ahead of 75 average. Mature was 29 percent, near 33 last year, but ahead of 19 average. Harvested was 5 percent, near 6 last year and 3 average.

Cotton condition rated 1 percent very poor, 2 poor, 29 fair, 64 good, and 4 excellent. Cotton setting bolls was 90 percent, behind 95 both last year and average. Bolls opening was 23 percent, near 27 last year, and behind 32 average. Harvested was 2 percent, equal to last year, and near 0 average.

Sunflower condition rated 0 percent very poor, 3 poor, 28 fair, 63 good, and 6 excellent. Sunflowers ray flowers dried was 63 percent, near 62 last year, but behind 71 average. Bracts turning yellow was 36 percent, well ahead of 11 last year, but behind 45 average. Bracts turning brown was 12 percent.

Alfalfa hay condition rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 30 fair, 58 good, and 7 excellent. Alfalfa hay fourth cutting was 71 percent complete, near 70 last year, and ahead of 52 average.

Livestock, Pasture, and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 23 fair, 59 good, and 13 excellent.

Stock water supplies were 1 percent very short, 4 short, 80 adequate, and 15 surplus.

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

Access the National publication for Crop Progress and Condition tables at:
<http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProg/2010s/2016/CropProg-09-19-2016.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>

**Days Suitable, Soil Moisture and Crop Progress by District
 For the Week Ending September 19, 2016**

| | NW | WC | SW | NC | C | SC | NE | EC | SE | STATE |
|------------------------------------|----------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| Days Suitable for Fieldwork | 4.3 | 5.7 | 6.2 | 3.3 | 4.1 | 4.8 | 1.8 | 2.0 | 2.7 | 4.3 |
| Topsoil Moisture | Percent | | | | | | | | | |
| Very Short | 5 | 2 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| Short | 18 | 13 | 17 | 2 | 2 | 6 | 6 | 4 | 2 | 9 |
| Adequate | 67 | 81 | 73 | 85 | 71 | 74 | 72 | 62 | 62 | 72 |
| Surplus | 10 | 4 | 0 | 13 | 27 | 20 | 22 | 34 | 36 | 16 |
| Subsoil Moisture | Percent | | | | | | | | | |
| Very Short | 3 | 2 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Short | 26 | 16 | 22 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 12 | 6 | 3 | 11 |
| Adequate | 63 | 82 | 71 | 89 | 77 | 84 | 74 | 68 | 75 | 77 |
| Surplus | 8 | 0 | 1 | 7 | 19 | 13 | 13 | 26 | 22 | 10 |
| Winter Wheat Planted | 9 | 5 | 30 | 0 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 7 | 2 | 9 |
| Corn Dented | 92 | 95 | 96 | 95 | 98 | 96 | 99 | 97 | 100 | 96 |
| Corn Mature | 44 | 42 | 60 | 48 | 88 | 77 | 71 | 79 | 95 | 65 |
| Corn Harvested | 8 | 7 | 11 | 5 | 30 | 24 | 8 | 20 | 54 | 17 |
| Soybeans Dropping Leaves | 51 | 55 | 53 | 15 | 32 | 22 | 13 | 13 | 20 | 19 |
| Sorghum Coloring | 89 | 96 | 93 | 89 | 91 | 89 | 94 | 92 | 89 | 92 |
| Sorghum Mature | 23 | 32 | 38 | 5 | 32 | 36 | 24 | 29 | 68 | 29 |
| Sorghum Harvested | 2 | 1 | 5 | 0 | 2 | 18 | 2 | 2 | 19 | 5 |

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