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KANSAS CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

MANHATTAN, Kan. March 27, 2017 – For the week ending March 26, 2017, temperatures averaged nine to ten degrees above normal across most of the State, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Large portions of Kansas received measurable rainfall, however much of the State remained drier than normal. Spring tillage was active and planting was underway in southern counties. There were 5.9 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture rated 26 percent very short, 42 short, 31 adequate, and 1 surplus. Subsoil moisture rated 20 percent very short, 41 short, 39 adequate, and 0 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat condition rated 7 percent very poor, 18 poor, 37 fair, 36 good, and 2 excellent. Winter wheat jointed was 17 percent, behind 29 last year, and near the five-year average of 18.

Corn planting was underway in southern counties and was 2 percent complete, equal to last year, and near 0 average.

Livestock Report: Cattle and calf conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 23 fair, 67 good, and 8 excellent. Calving progress was 73 percent complete. Cattle and calf death loss rated 1 percent heavy, 57 average, and 42 light.

Sheep and lamb conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 14 fair, 81 good, and 4 excellent. Lambing progress was 85 percent complete. Sheep and lamb death loss rated 0 percent heavy, 56 average, and 44 light.

Hay and roughage supplies rated 2 percent very short, 5 short, 87 adequate, 6 surplus.

Stock water supplies were 4 percent very short, 13 short, 82 adequate, and 1 surplus.

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

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 March 26, 2017**

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE
Days Suitable for Fieldwork	5.5	5.6	6.1	5.6	6.1	6.5	5.1	5.9	6.2	5.9
Topsoil Moisture	Percent									
Very Short	39	39	54	18	10	10	11	9	11	26
Short	42	39	33	40	48	50	39	54	43	42
Adequate	18	22	13	42	42	38	49	30	45	31
Surplus	1	0	0	0	0	2	1	7	1	1
Subsoil Moisture										
Very Short	32	26	49	11	9	7	5	5	11	20
Short	47	51	41	30	47	32	41	56	28	41
Adequate	21	23	10	59	44	61	54	39	61	39
Surplus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Winter Wheat Jointed	8	3	17	5	8	32	11	29	46	17

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