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KANSAS CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

MANHATTAN, Kan. August 14, 2017 – For the week ending August 13, 2017, cooler temperatures continued across the State, according to the USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service. A large portion of Kansas received an inch or more of rain, but over half of the State was still experiencing drought conditions. A hail storm damaged crops in some western counties. There were 4.3 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture rated 6 percent very short, 27 short, 59 adequate, and 8 surplus. Subsoil moisture rated 4 percent very short, 26 short, 68 adequate, and 2 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Corn condition rated 4 percent very poor, 11 poor, 30 fair, 44 good, and 11 excellent. Corn silking was 96 percent, near 100 last year and 99 for the five-year average. Dough was 70 percent, behind 75 last year, and near 73 average. Dented was 24 percent, near 27 last year, and behind 29 average.

Soybean condition rated 2 percent very poor, 8 poor, 38 fair, 47 good, and 5 excellent. Soybeans blooming was 90 percent, near 87 last year, and ahead of 85 average. Setting pods was 66 percent, ahead of 55 last year and 53 average.

Sorghum condition rated 1 percent very poor, 7 poor, 32 fair, 52 good, and 8 excellent. Sorghum headed was 65 percent, behind 80 last year, but near 64 average. Coloring was 3 percent, behind 14 last year and 10 average.

Cotton condition rated 2 percent very poor, 4 poor, 36 fair, 53 good, and 5 excellent. Cotton squaring was 80 percent, near 84 last year, and behind 85 average. Setting bolls was 37 percent, equal to last year, but behind 46 average. Bolls opening was 2 percent, near 0 last year, and equal to average.

Sunflower condition rated 0 percent very poor, 3 poor, 34 fair, 58 good, and 5 excellent. Sunflowers blooming was 55 percent, behind 69 last year, and near 57 average.

Alfalfa condition rated 2 percent very poor, 10 poor, 32 fair, 53 good, and 3 excellent. Alfalfa third cutting was 86 percent complete, near 83 last year, and ahead of 71 average. Fourth cutting was 14 percent.

Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 2 percent very poor, 9 poor, 32 fair, 50 good, and 7 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 1 percent very short, 11 short, 87 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 National publication for Crop Progress and Condition tables at:
<http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProg/2010s/2017/CropProg-08-14-2017.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 August 13, 2017**

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE
Days Suitable for Fieldwork	3.9	4.4	3.3	5.7	5.6	3.8	5.9	4.0	3.5	4.3
Topsoil Moisture	Percent									
Very Short	4	1	4	14	13	4	19	2	2	6
Short	17	21	22	47	41	33	32	9	14	27
Adequate	67	71	64	38	44	50	40	80	79	59
Surplus	12	7	10	1	2	13	9	9	5	8
Subsoil Moisture	Percent									
Very Short	3	0	4	8	13	1	11	1	2	4
Short	26	20	22	41	43	23	40	11	12	26
Adequate	68	73	71	51	44	75	43	85	86	68
Surplus	3	7	3	0	0	1	6	3	0	2
Corn Silking	91	96	94	93	100	97	99	99	100	96
Corn Dough	36	51	67	75	91	76	89	83	85	70
Corn Dented	6	3	9	33	44	28	36	35	50	24
Sorghum Headed	49	76	71	55	64	63	75	56	72	65

Note: District-level soybean estimates will not be published in 2017 due to lack of external funding.

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