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KANSAS CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

MANHATTAN, Kan. October 10, 2017 – For the week ending October 8, 2017, above normal temperatures blanketed the State, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Measurable rainfall was recorded in every county, with most counties receiving one inch or more. Row crop harvest and wheat seeding were slowed by rains in many areas, but continued to progress. There were 2.5 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture rated 3 percent very short, 13 short, 71 adequate, and 13 surplus. Subsoil moisture rated 4 percent very short, 23 short, 69 adequate, and 4 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat planted was 27 percent, well behind 55 last year and 59 for the five-year average. Emerged was 15 percent, behind 27 last year and 29 average.

Corn condition rated 4 percent very poor, 11 poor, 29 fair, 43 good, and 13 excellent. Corn mature was 88 percent, behind 95 last year and 94 average. Harvested was 46 percent, behind 60 last year and 61 average.

Soybean condition rated 5 percent very poor, 14 poor, 35 fair, 41 good, and 5 excellent. Soybeans dropping leaves was 87 percent, ahead of 72 last year and 76 average. Harvested was 22 percent, ahead of 14 last year, and near 21 average.

Sorghum condition rated 2 percent very poor, 7 poor, 33 fair, 47 good, and 11 excellent. Sorghum coloring was 96 percent, near 100 last year and 97 average. Mature was 60 percent, behind 77 last year, and near 64 average. Harvested was 9 percent, behind 28 last year and 22 average.

Cotton condition rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 30 fair, 57 good, and 11 excellent. Cotton bolls opening was 58 percent, behind 65 both last year and average. Harvested was 5 percent, near 6 last year and 4 average.

Sunflowers condition rated 1 percent very poor, 3 poor, 34 fair, 50 good, and 12 excellent. Sunflowers ray flowers dried was 88 percent, near 90 last year and 92 average. Bracts turning yellow was 77 percent, near 79 both last year and average. Bracts turning brown was 55 percent, behind 60 last year. Harvested was 4 percent, behind 9 last year and 11 average.

Alfalfa fourth cutting was 90 percent complete, near 92 last year, but ahead of 81 average.

Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 4 percent very poor, 12 poor, 35 fair, 46 good, and 3 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 2 percent very short, 15 short, 81 adequate, and 2 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-10-10-2017.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/CurrentMap/StateDroughtMonitor.aspx?KS>

**Days Suitable, Soil Moisture and Crop Progress by District
 For the Week Ending October 8, 2017**

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE
Days Suitable for Fieldwork	1.1	1.3	2.4	2.5	2.6	3.2	2.8	3.5	3.6	2.5
Topsoil Moisture	Percent									
Very Short	0	0	2	8	6	1	4	2	8	3
Short	2	14	7	22	17	14	19	10	14	13
Adequate	64	67	85	62	73	66	67	74	73	71
Surplus	34	19	6	8	4	19	10	14	5	13
Subsoil Moisture	Percent									
Very Short	2	0	3	9	7	2	11	2	9	4
Short	12	17	15	32	36	27	41	18	16	23
Adequate	75	78	82	53	56	66	46	79	74	69
Surplus	11	5	0	6	1	5	2	1	1	4
Winter Wheat Planted	26	28	41	21	28	23	11	17	11	27
Winter Wheat Emerged	19	20	27	7	12	12	4	3	5	15
Corn Mature	64	60	94	95	99	98	95	99	99	88
Corn Harvested	17	21	34	31	72	71	46	69	88	46
Sorghum Coloring	92	98	100	94	96	96	99	99	95	96
Sorghum Mature	29	61	68	49	63	72	52	56	84	60
Sorghum Harvested	3	4	12	4	9	18	5	16	50	9

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

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