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KANSAS CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

MANHATTAN, Kan. October 30, 2017 – For the week ending October 29, 2017, cool, dry conditions spread across the State, according to the USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service. Conditions allowed row crop harvest, wheat seeding, and fall calving to progress without interruption. There were 6.5 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture rated 1 percent very short, 17 short, 78 adequate, and 4 surplus. Subsoil moisture rated 2 percent very short, 20 short, 75 adequate, and 3 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat condition rated 4 percent very poor, 8 poor, 33 fair, 48 good, and 7 excellent. Winter wheat planted was 84 percent, behind 91 last year and 93 for the five-year average. Emerged was 57 percent, behind 73 last year and 75 average.

Corn harvested was 78 percent, behind 92 last year and 89 average.

Soybeans harvested was 73 percent, near 72 last year, and equal to average.

Sorghum condition rated 2 percent very poor, 8 poor, 31 fair, 47 good, and 12 excellent. Sorghum mature was 95 percent, near 98 last year, and equal to average. Harvested was 44 percent, well behind 69 last year, and behind 60 average.

Cotton condition rated 2 percent very poor, 8 poor, 29 fair, 53 good, and 8 excellent. Cotton bolls opening was 93 percent, near 90 last year and 89 average. Harvested was 12 percent, equal to last year, and near 16 average.

Sunflower condition rated 1 percent very poor, 5 poor, 33 fair, 52 good, and 9 excellent. Sunflowers bracts turning yellow was 97 percent, equal to last year. Bracts turning brown was 91 percent, near 89 last year and 90 average. Harvested was 42 percent, behind 48 both last year and average.

Alfalfa fourth cutting was 95 percent complete.

Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 4 percent very poor, 15 poor, 37 fair, 41 good, and 3 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 2 percent very short, 14 short, 82 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-10-30-2017.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 29, 2017**

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE
Days Suitable for Fieldwork	6.7	6.9	6.8	6.9	6.8	6.2	6.2	5.2	5.7	6.5
Topsoil Moisture	Percent									
Very Short	1	0	1	2	3	0	2	1	4	1
Short	10	17	20	21	15	18	31	7	11	17
Adequate	79	78	78	75	82	76	65	82	84	78
Surplus	10	5	1	2	0	6	2	10	1	4
Subsoil Moisture	Percent									
Very Short	2	0	1	3	6	0	10	1	5	2
Short	13	16	21	25	26	20	35	11	16	20
Adequate	83	82	78	66	68	76	53	78	77	75
Surplus	2	2	0	6	0	4	2	10	2	3
Winter Wheat Planted	94	97	91	84	84	79	85	52	36	84
Winter Wheat Emerged	64	74	69	43	56	52	46	32	26	57
Corn Harvested	56	65	80	69	95	93	81	86	98	78
Sorghum Mature	92	95	98	92	95	94	96	93	99	95
Sorghum Harvested	30	50	44	37	48	46	49	49	75	44

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

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