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NEBRASKA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

LINCOLN, NE, November 4, 2013 -- For the week ending November 3, 2013, cool, dry conditions across much of the western two-thirds of the State provided producer access to fields, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. However, grain moisture levels above those safe for storage slowed harvest. Overcast, rainy conditions slowed harvest progress in eastern areas. Statewide, corn harvest was nearing three-fourths complete and soybean harvest was near finished. Millet harvest was slow in western counties as sugarbeet harvest neared completion. Statewide, producers had 5.0 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 6 percent very short, 21 short, 71 adequate, and 2 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 14 percent very short, 35 short, 51 adequate, and 0 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Corn harvested was 71 percent, well behind 97 last year but ahead of 66 average.

Soybeans harvest was 97 percent complete, behind 100 last year but ahead of 93 average.

Sorghum harvest was 77 percent complete, behind 93 last year but ahead of 59 average.

Winter wheat condition rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 26 fair, 62 good, and 7 excellent. Winter wheat emerged was 97 percent, ahead of 82 last year and 94 average.

Proso millet was 91 percent harvested, behind 100 last year but near 93 average.

The fourth cutting of alfalfa was 94 percent complete, behind 100 last year and 100 average.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Stock water supplies rated 4 percent very short, 12 short, 83 adequate, and 1 surplus. Pasture and range condition was 15 percent very poor, 22 poor, 34 fair, 27 good, and 2 excellent.

Data for this news release were provided at the county level by USDA Farm Service Agency and UNL Extension Service.

Access the National publication for Crop Progress and Condition tables at: http://usda01.library.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProg//2010s/2013/CropProg-11-04-2013.pdf

Access the High Plains Region Climate Center for Temperature and Precipitation Maps at: http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/maps/current/index.php?action=update_region&state=NE®ion=HPRCC

Access the U.S. Drought Monitor at: http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/DM_state.htm?NE,HP