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NEBRASKA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

LINCOLN, NE, May 12, 2014 -- For the week ending May 11, 2014, most of Nebraska received precipitation during the week, with amounts varying widely across the state, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Localized areas of heavy rain and thunderstorms in eastern Nebraska caused some damage to irrigation equipment and buildings late in the week. Areas of southwest Nebraska remained in an extreme drought in spite of the rain. Average temperatures ranged from 4 degrees below normal in the panhandle to 6 degrees above normal in southeast Nebraska. Activities included corn and soybean planting and moving cattle to pasture. The number of days considered suitable for fieldwork were 5.1. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 13 percent very short, 25 short, 58 adequate, and 4 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 17 percent very short, 35 short, 48 adequate, and 0 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat condition rated 4 percent very poor, 17 poor, 32 fair, 43 good, and 4 excellent. Winter wheat jointed was 56 percent, ahead of 30 last year but behind the five-year average of 61.

Oats condition rated 1 percent very poor, 17 poor, 41 fair, 40 good, and 1 excellent. Oats planted was 96 percent, ahead of 93 last year but near 97 average. Oats emerged was 83 percent, well ahead of 56 last year, but near 79 average.

Corn planted was 77 percent, well ahead of 39 last year but near 71 average. Corn emerged was 18 percent, ahead of 2 last year but behind 21 average.

Soybeans planted was 36 percent, well ahead of 6 last year and 30 average.

Sorghum planted was at 10 percent, ahead of 3 last year but near 11 average.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and Range condition rated 11 percent very poor, 14 poor, 42 fair, 32 good, and 1 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 5 percent very short, 9 short, 85 adequate, and 1 surplus.

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://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProg//2010s/2014/CropProg-05-12-2014.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/Home/StateDroughtMonitor.aspx?NE

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