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NEBRASKA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

LINCOLN, NE, June 15, 2015 - For the week ending June 14, 2015, above normal temperatures and limited rainfall early in the week boosted crop development, but cloudy skies and rainfall of one inch or more later in the week was common in eastern areas, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Temperatures averaged one to two degrees above normal. Three or more inches of precipitation occurred in portions of the southeast causing further planting delays while western producers made good progress. Alfalfa harvest continued to be challenging in eastern areas, with few days between rain events. There were 3.2 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 3 percent very short, 7 short, 70 adequate, and 20 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 4 percent very short, 12 short, 68 adequate, and 16 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Corn condition rated 1 percent very poor, 5 poor, 27 fair, 58 good, and 9 excellent. Corn emerged was at 97 percent, near 99 for both last year and the five-year average.

Sorghum condition rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 38 fair, 58 good, and 3 excellent. Sorghum planted was at 80 percent, behind 97 last year and 93 average. Emerged was at 48 percent, near 46 last year, but behind 66 average.

Soybean condition rated 1 percent very poor, 6 poor, 25 fair, 58 good, and 10 excellent. Soybeans planted was at 91 percent, behind 100 last year and 98 average. Emerged was at 78 percent, behind 96 last year and 90 average.

Winter wheat condition rated 14 percent very poor, 20 poor, 31 fair, 33 good, and 2 excellent. Winter wheat headed was at 95 percent, near 92 last year, but ahead of 89 average. Coloring was at 31 percent, ahead of 17 last year, but near 28 average.

Oats condition rated 2 percent very poor, 7 poor, 26 fair, 61 good, and 4 excellent. Oats jointed was at 90 percent, well ahead of 70 last year. Headed was at 54 percent, near 50 last year and 56 average.

Alfalfa condition rated 1 percent very poor, 3 poor, 27 fair, 56 good, and 13 excellent. Alfalfa first cutting was at 56 percent, behind 67 last year and 69 average.

Proso millet planted was at 20 percent, behind 32 last year, and well behind 46 average.

Dry edible beans planted was at 63 percent, well behind 83 last year and 77 average. Dry edible beans emerged was at 16 percent, well behind 49 last year and 36 average.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 24 fair, 59 good, and 12 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 2 percent very short, 6 short, 86 adequate, and 6 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/2015/CropProg-06-15-2015.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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