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## NEBRASKA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

**Lincoln, NE** – For the week ending May 8, 2016, dry conditions prevailed allowing producers to get back into fields after midweek, however widespread rainfall was reported late in the week, shutting down activities, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Rainfall accumulations of one or more inches were common in Panhandle, central and southeastern counties. Temperatures were near normal. Standing water in low lying areas made portions of fields inaccessible. Wheat producers in southern areas were having fields sprayed to control rust. There were 3.8 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 1 percent very short, 3 short, 81 adequate, and 15 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 0 percent very short, 5 short, 87 adequate, and 8 surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** Corn planted was at 53 percent, behind 71 last year and the five-year average of 59. Emerged was at 15 percent, behind 24 last year, but equal to average.

Sorghum planted was at 5 percent, behind 20 last year, but near 9 average.

Soybeans planted was at 13 percent, behind 21 both last year and average.

Winter wheat condition rated 0 percent very poor, 3 poor, 31 fair, 55 good, and 11 excellent. Winter wheat jointed was at 81 percent, ahead of 75 last year, and well ahead of 54 average. Headed was at 10 percent, near 7 last year and 8 average.

Oats condition rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 23 fair, 71 good, and 5 excellent. Oats planted was at 89 percent, behind 100 last year and 95 average. Emerged was at 79 percent, behind 89 last year, but ahead of 72 average.

**Livestock, Pasture and Range Report:** Pasture and range conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 24 fair, 64 good, and 11 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 0 percent very short, 2 short, 93 adequate, and 5 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: <a href="http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProg/2010s/2016/CropProg-05-09-2016.pdf">http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProg/2010s/2016/CropProg-05-09-2016.pdf</a>

Access the High Plains Region Climate Center for Temperature and Precipitation Maps at: <a href="http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/maps.php?map=ACISClimateMaps">http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/maps.php?map=ACISClimateMaps</a>

Access the U.S. Drought Monitor at: <a href="http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/Home/StateDroughtMonitor.aspx?NE">http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/Home/StateDroughtMonitor.aspx?NE</a>

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