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NEBRASKA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

Lincoln, NE – For the week ending May 29, 2016, numerous rain events limited planting activities and made hay harvest difficult, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Accumulations of an inch were common, with rainfall totals of three inches or more recorded across the southeast. Temperatures averaged two to four degrees above normal in the east, but near normal west. Crusting of soils was reported with some producers running pivots to help their crops emerge. There were 3.1 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 0 percent very short, 2 short, 78 adequate, and 20 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 0 percent very short, 2 short, 84 adequate, and 14 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Corn condition rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 26 fair, 62 good, and 10 excellent. Corn planted was 96 percent, near 93 last year and the five-year average of 97. Emerged was 78 percent, near 80 last year and 82 average.

Sorghum planted was 55 percent, near 53 last year and 59 average. Emerged was 20 percent, behind 25 last year, but near 23 average.

Soybeans planted was 73 percent, near 70 last year, but behind 82 average. Emerged was 36 percent, equal to last year, but behind 49 average.

Winter wheat condition rated 1 percent very poor, 5 poor, 29 fair, 54 good, and 11 excellent. Winter wheat jointed was 98 percent, near 95 last year, but ahead of 92 average. Headed was 72 percent, ahead of 60 last year, but well ahead of 50 average. Coloring was 1 percent.

Oats condition rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 21 fair, 72 good, and 6 excellent. Oats emerged was 95 percent, near 99 last year and 96 average. Jointed was 56 percent, near 59 last year. Headed was 22 percent, near 18 last year and 19 average.

Alfalfa condition rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 11 fair, 72 good, and 16 excellent. Alfalfa first cutting was 31 percent, ahead of 19 last year, but near 27 average.

Dry edible beans planted was 11 percent, ahead of 5 last year, but behind 17 average.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 0 poor, 12 fair, 71 good, and 17 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 0 percent very short, 1 short, 91 adequate, and 8 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/2016/CropProg-05-31-2016.pdf>

Access the High Plains Region 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/Home/StateDroughtMonitor.aspx?NE>

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