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## NEBRASKA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

**Lincoln, NE** – For the week ending September 11, 2016, temperatures averaged two to four degrees below normal across western Nebraska, but two to four degrees above normal in the east, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Precipitation of an inch was common across north central areas, portions of the east, and central Nebraska. Southwestern areas and much of the Panhandle remained dry. Cutting Silage was active and the first fields of high moisture corn were being harvested for feedlot use. There were 5.4 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 8 percent very short, 27 short, 61 adequate, and 4 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 7 percent very short, 28 short, 63 adequate, and 2 surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** Corn condition rated 1 percent very poor, 5 poor, 20 fair, 57 good, and 17 excellent. Corn dented was 89 percent, ahead of 83 last year, and near the five-year average of 87. Mature was 28 percent, ahead of 23 last year, and near 25 average. Harvested was 1 percent, equal to last year, and near 4 average.

Sorghum condition rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 14 fair, 64 good, and 21 excellent. Sorghum coloring was 95 percent, ahead of 81 last year, and well ahead of 75 average. Mature was 22 percent, ahead of 9 last year and 7 average.

Soybeans condition rated 1 percent very poor, 3 poor, 19 fair, 60 good, and 17 excellent. Soybeans dropping leaves was 29 percent, near 33 last year, but ahead of 22 average.

Winter wheat planted was 19 percent, ahead of 13 last year, and near 16 average.

Alfalfa condition rated 4 percent very poor, 3 poor, 21 fair, 59 good, and 13 excellent. Alfalfa fourth cutting was 51 percent, near 55 last year, but ahead of 45 average.

Dry edible beans condition rated 0 percent very poor, 3 poor, 33 fair, 55 good, and 9 excellent. Dry edible beans dropping leaves was 78 percent, behind 89 last year, but ahead of 70 average. Harvested was 16 percent, behind 22 last year, but near 15 average.

Proso millet harvested was 12 percent, well behind 38 last year, and behind 26 average.

**Livestock, Pasture and Range Report:** Pasture and range conditions rated 3 percent very poor, 9 poor, 25 fair, 55 good, and 8 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 1 percent very short, 12 short, 86 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/2016/CropProg-09-12-2016.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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