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NEBRASKA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

LINCOLN, Neb. April 24, 2017 – For the week ending April 23, 2017, temperatures averaged two to four degrees above normal, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Significant rainfall was limited to a few north central counties and some eastern areas. Corn planting was underway in most areas and the first fields of soybeans were planted. There were 4.9 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 6 percent very short, 21 short, 69 adequate, and 4 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 7 percent very short, 24 short, 67 adequate, and 2 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Corn planted was 17 percent, near 15 last year, and ahead of 11 for the five-year average. Emerged was 2 percent, near 1 last year and average.

Soybean planted was 4 percent, near 0 last year and 1 average.

Winter wheat condition rated 1 percent very poor, 8 poor, 37 fair, 47 good, and 7 excellent. Winter wheat jointed was 33 percent, behind 51 last year, but ahead of 26 average.

Oats planted was 81 percent, near 83 last year and equal to average. Oats emerged was 39 percent, behind 50 last year, and near 43 average.

Livestock Report: Cattle and calf conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 0 poor, 15 fair, 71 good, and 14 excellent. Calving progress was 89 percent complete, equal to last year and average. Cattle and calf death loss rated 1 percent heavy, 65 average, and 34 light.

Sheep and lamb conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 22 fair, 68 good, and 9 excellent. Sheep and lamb death loss rated 1 percent heavy, 74 average, and 25 light.

Hay and roughage supplies rated 1 percent very short, 4 short, 90 adequate, and 5 surplus.

Stock water supplies rated 1 percent very short, 5 short, 93 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/2017/CropProg-04-24-2017.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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