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## NEBRASKA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

**LINCOLN, Neb. May 15, 2017** – For the week ending May 14, 2017, temperatures averaged four to six degrees above normal, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Rainfall accumulations of an inch were common in Panhandle, southcentral, and southwestern counties, but limited to half an inch or less for the rest of the State. Dry, warm weather allowed farmers to make progress in corn and soybean planting. There were 5.1 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 3 percent very short, 14 short, 79 adequate, and 4 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 4 percent very short, 14 short, 78 adequate, and 4 surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** Corn planted was 78 percent, ahead of 71 last year, and near 76 for the five-year average. Emerged was 31 percent, near 28 last year and 34 average.

Soybeans planted was 37 percent, ahead of 27 last year, but equal to average. Emerged was 4 percent, near 3 last year and 7 average.

Winter wheat condition rated 2 percent very poor, 12 poor, 40 fair, 41 good, and 5 excellent. Winter wheat jointed was 94 percent, near 90 last year, and ahead of 76 average. Headed was 32 percent, near 31 last year, and ahead of 22 average.

Sorghum planted was 14 percent, near 12 last year, but behind 19 average. Emerged was 1 percent.

Oats condition rated 0 percent very poor, 0 poor, 15 fair, 81 good, and 4 excellent. Oats planted was 99 percent, ahead of 92 last year, and near 97 average. Emerged was 95 percent, ahead of 85 both last year and average. Jointed was 16 percent.

**Pasture and Range Report:** Pasture and range conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 3 poor, 29 fair, 59 good, and 9 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 1 percent very short, 3 short, 94 adequate, and 2 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-05-15-2017.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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