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NEBRASKA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

LINCOLN, Neb. July 17, 2017 – For the week ending July 16, 2017, temperatures averaged two to six degrees above normal, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Significant rainfall of an inch or more was received in the eastern half of Nebraska; however, the western half of the State remained relatively dry. Winter wheat harvested was near completion in the southern counties. There were 6.2 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 29 percent very short, 36 short, 35 adequate, and 0 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 22 percent very short, 35 short, 43 adequate, and 0 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Corn condition rated 4 percent very poor, 8 poor, 23 fair, 52 good, and 13 excellent. Corn silking was 47 percent, near 51 last year and 48 for the five-year average.

Soybean condition rated 4 percent very poor, 8 poor, 25 fair, 56 good, and 7 excellent. Soybeans blooming was 66 percent, ahead of 50 last year and 56 average. Setting pods was 11 percent, ahead of 1 last year, and equal to average.

Winter wheat mature was 98 percent. Harvested was 83 percent, ahead of 70 last year, and well ahead of 58 average.

Sorghum condition rated 3 percent very poor, 3 poor, 33 fair, 46 good, and 15 excellent. Sorghum headed was 5 percent, near 6 last year and 8 average.

Oats condition rated 2 percent very poor, 3 poor, 41 fair, 49 good, and 5 excellent. Oats coloring was 97 percent, ahead of 92 last year. Mature was 84 percent. Harvested was 47 percent, near 46 last year and 44 average.

Alfalfa condition rated 4 percent very poor, 13 poor, 33 fair, 45 good, and 5 excellent. Alfalfa second cutting was 84 percent complete, ahead of 77 last year and 68 average. Third cutting was 15 percent.

Dry edible beans condition rated 7 percent very poor, 16 poor, 24 fair, 38 good, and 15 excellent. Dry edible beans blooming was 35 percent, ahead of 26 last year and 21 average.

Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 6 percent very poor, 20 poor, 39 fair, 33 good, and 2 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 4 percent very short, 10 short, 86 adequate, and 0 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-07-17-2017.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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