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NEBRASKA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

LINCOLN, Neb. August 21, 2017 – For the week ending August 20, 2017, temperatures averaged one to five degrees below normal, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Significant rainfall of an inch or more was received across most of the State, while some central counties received up to six inches of rain. There were 4.6 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 7 percent very short, 26 short, 63 adequate, and 4 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 11 percent very short, 31 short, 57 adequate, and 1 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Corn condition rated 3 percent very poor, 10 poor, 24 fair, 45 good, and 18 excellent. Corn dough was 83 percent, near 85 last year, and equal to the five-year average. Dented was 28 percent, behind 38 last year and 36 average.

Soybean condition rated 3 percent very poor, 8 poor, 28 fair, 50 good, and 11 excellent. Soybeans setting pods was 89 percent, near 90 both last year and average.

Sorghum condition rated 3 percent very poor, 2 poor, 29 fair, 48 good, and 18 excellent. Sorghum headed was 92 percent, near 94 last year and 88 average. Coloring was 24 percent, behind 42 last year, but near 23 average.

Alfalfa condition rated 4 percent very poor, 12 poor, 34 fair, 43 good, and 7 excellent. Alfalfa third cutting was 83 percent complete, near 85 last year and 79 average. Fourth cutting was 24 percent, near 28 last year.

Dry edible beans condition rated 7 percent very poor, 12 poor, 16 fair, 45 good, and 20 excellent. Dry edible beans blooming was 98 percent, ahead of 93 last year. Setting pods was 90 percent, ahead of 85 last year, but near 91 average.

Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 5 percent very poor, 22 poor, 43 fair, 28 good, and 2 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 2 percent very short, 10 short, 88 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-08-21-2017.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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