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NEBRASKA CROP PRODUCTION REPORT

LINCOLN, NE, August 12, 2015 -- Based on August 1 conditions, Nebraska's 2015 **corn** crop is forecast at 1.66 billion bushels, up 4 percent from last year, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Acreage harvested for grain is estimated at 8.90 million acres, down 1 percent from a year ago. Average yield is forecast at 187 bushels per acre, up 6 bushels from last year and the highest of record.

Soybean production in Nebraska is forecast at 288 million bushels, unchanged from last year. Area for harvest, at 5.15 million acres, is down 4 percent from 2014. Yield is forecast at 56 bushels per acre, up 2 bushels from last year and the highest of record.

Nebraska's 2015 **winter wheat** crop is forecast at 52.0 million bushels, down 27 percent from last year. Harvested area for grain, at 1.30 million acres, is down 10 percent from a year ago. Average yield is forecast at 40 bushels per acre, down 9 bushels per acre from 2014.

Sorghum production of 20.2 million bushels is up 54 percent from a year ago. Area for grain harvest of 220,000 acres, is up 38 percent from last year. Yield is forecast at 92 bushels per acre, up 10 bushels from last year.

Oat production is forecast at 2.16 million bushels, up 35 percent from last year and the largest since 2008. Harvested area for grain, at 30,000 acres is up 10,000 acres from last year. Yield is forecast at 72 bushels per acre, down 8 bushels from 2014.

Dry edible bean production is forecast at 3.3 million cwt, down 12 percent from last year. The average yield is forecast at 2,400 pounds per acre, down 100 pounds from last year. Acres planted by class are as follows: Pinto, 83,000; Great Northern, 36,000; Light Red Kidney, 22,000; Black, 4,000; All Other, 4,000.

Sugarbeet production is forecast at 1.23 million tons, down 8 percent from 2014. Area for harvest, at 47,000 acres, is up 2 percent from last year. Yield is estimated at 26 tons per acre, down 2.9 tons from a year ago.

Alfalfa hay production is forecast at 3.20 million tons, down 6 percent from last year. Expected yield, at 4.00 tons per acre, is down 0.1 ton from last year. **All other hay** production is forecast at 3.06 million tons, up 17 percent from last year. Expected yield, at 1.70 tons per acre, is up 0.2 ton from last year.

Access the National publication for this release at:

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