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NASS to conduct 2021 Hemp Acreage and Production survey this fall

Olympia, WA – This October, USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service will mail its first **Hemp Acreage and Production Survey**. The survey will collect information on the total planted and harvested area, yield, production, and value of hemp in the United States.

The Domestic Hemp Production Program established in the Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018 (2018 Farm Bill) allows for the cultivation of hemp under certain conditions. The Hemp Acreage and Production survey will provide needed data about the hemp industry to assist producers, regulatory agencies, state governments, processors, and other key industry entities.

Producers may complete the survey online beginning October 18, 2021 at agcounts.usda.gov or they may complete and return the survey by mail using the return envelope provided.

“This new and topical survey may actually be the first opportunity for a producer to respond to a NASS survey. NASS safeguards the privacy of all respondents, by keeping all individual information confidential and publishing the data in aggregate form only to ensure that no operation or producer can be identified,” said Chris Mertz, director, Northwest Region. “We recognize that this is a hectic time for producers, but the information they provide helps U.S. agriculture remain viable and capable. I urge them to respond to these surveys and thank them for their cooperation.”

NASS will analyze the survey information and publish the results in the form of a National Release, scheduled for February 15, 2022. Learn more about the survey at nass.usda.gov/go/hemp.

These and all NASS reports are available at nass.usda.gov/Publications/. For more information, call the NASS Northwest Region Office at 1-800-435-5883.

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