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PENNSYLVANIA WINTER WHEAT PRODUCTION UP 7 PERCENT

HARRISBURG, PA – Pennsylvania winter wheat production, forecast at 10.4 million bushels, is up 7 percent from 2014, according to King Whetstone, Director of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, Northeastern Regional Field Office. Based on conditions as of May 1, yields are expected to average 65.0 bushels per acre, unchanged from the 2014 average. Area harvested is forecast at 160 thousand acres, up 7 percent from 2014.

Hay: Hay stocks on farms totaled 265 thousand tons, down 85 percent from December 2014 and down 12 percent from May 2014.

Tobacco: Production for 2014 is revised to 22.3 million pounds, up 5 percent from last years estimate. Yields averaged 2,445 pounds per acre, up 56 pounds from last year. Area for harvest was 9,100 acres, up 200 acres from last year.

Production forecasts are released on a monthly basis and do not reflect final production estimates. The next production forecast will be issued June 10, 2015.

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