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KANSAS CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

TOPEKA, KS, December 30, 2013 -- For the month of December 2013, temperatures were below normal, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Snow fell in the eastern part of the state with totals up 12 inches. The western part of the state did not receive snow to protect the wheat from the cold temperatures. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 8 percent very short, 21 short, 68 adequate, and 3 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 13 percent very short, 26 short, 59 adequate, and 2 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat condition rated 1 percent very poor, 5 poor, 36 fair, 51 good, and 7 excellent.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Hay and forage supplies supplies rated 4 percent very short, 8 short, 79 adequate, and 9 surplus. Stock water supplies were rated 8 percent very short, 17 short, 74 adequate, 1 surplus. Cattle were grazing crop residue and supplemented with minerals. Cattle and sheep conditions were not available this month.

Data for this release were provided at the county level by USDA Farm Service Agency and KSU Extension Service.

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