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IRRIGATION ORGANIZATIONS

LINCOLN, Neb. December 17, 2020 – The U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Agricultural Statistics Service has released the results of its 2019 Survey of Irrigation Organizations. In 2019, for the High Plains region, which consists of Kansas, Nebraska, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota, and Texas, there were 177 organizations directly involved in the management of local water supplies- both groundwater and surface water- for irrigation on farms and ranches.

In the High Plains region, organizations delivering off-farm water served, on average, 103 farms covering 11,544 irrigated acres. Organizations involved with groundwater management serviced, on average, 514 farms covering 166,069 acres and 2,118 irrigation wells.

Water delivery organizations in the High Plains region received 4,968,403 acre-feet of water in 2019. The organizations delivered and/or released 4,786,903 acre-feet of water in 2019, with 1,195,063 acre-feet going to farms and ranches.

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