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October 1 Tennessee Crop Production Forecast

Corn production in **Tennessee** is forecast at 101 million bushels, unchanged from the September forecast and down 34% from the previous crop. Yield was estimated at 153 bushels per acre, unchanged bushels from last month and down 20 bushels from the 2023 level. Acres for harvest as grain were estimated at 660,000 acres, down 230,000 acres from 2023. The **U.S.** corn production is forecast at 15.2 billion bushels, up slightly from the September forecast and down 1% from 2023. Based on conditions as of October 1, yields are expected to average 183.8 bushels per acre, up 0.2 bushels from last month and up 6.5 bushels from 2023. Area harvested for grain is forecast at 82.7 million acres, unchanged from the September down 4% from 2023.

Sovbean production for **Tennessee** is forecast at 84.6 million bushels, up 2% from the September forecast and up 6% from 2023. Yield was estimated at 47.0 bushels per acre, up 1.0 bushels from last month and down 4.0 bushels from a year ago. Acreage for harvest as beans was estimated at 1.80 million acres, up 230,000 acres from the previous year. <u>U.S.</u> soybean production is forecast at 4.58 billion bushels, down slightly from the September forecast and up 10% from last year. Based on October 1 conditions, yields are expected to average 53.1 bushels per acre, down 0.1 bushels from last month and up 2.5 bushels from last year. Area for harvest is forecast at 86.3 million acres, unchanged from the September forecast and up 5% from 2023.

Tennessee cotton production is projected to be 570,000 bales, down 16% from last year. Cotton yields are forecast to average 1,094 pounds per acre, down 156 pounds per acre from the previous year. Producers expect to harvest 250,000 acres, and down 10,000 acres from 2023. <u>U.S.</u> cotton production was forecast at 14.2 million bales, up 18% from 2023. Yields are forecast to average 789 pounds per acre, down 110 pounds from last year. Harvested acreage is estimated at 8.63 million acres, forecast and up 34% from the previous year.

Tennessee burley tobacco production is forecast at 5.04 million pounds, down 7% from the September forecast and up 8% from 2023. Yield was projected at 1,400 pounds per acre, down 100 pounds from last month and down 150 pounds from the 2023 crop. Harvested acreage was estimated at 3,600 acres, up 600 acres from last year's crop. For the **burley producing States** production is forecast at 55.0 million pounds, down 1% from the September forecast and down 15% from last year. Burley growers plan to harvest 28,600 acres, down 9% from 2023. Yields were expected to average 1,924 pounds per acre, down 135 pounds from last year.

Production of <u>Tennessee dark fire-cured</u> tobacco is forecast at 10.4 million pounds, down 33% from the previous year. <u>Dark air-cured</u> tobacco production is forecast at 2.40 million pounds, forecast and down 20% from last year.

Other hay production is estimated at 3.36 million tons, down 10% from last year.