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SORGHUM E-Notes

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Sorghum Planting Falls Behind

Fifty-four percent of intended acreage was planted as of this week, 2 and 6 percent behind last year and normal, respectively. Producers in Illinois faced major planting delays, as they were 64 and 46 percent behind last year and normal, respectively. Planting delays in Missouri and Nebraska were also quite significant when compared with the 5-year average pace. Planting was nearly complete in Arkansas and Louisiana.

The Kansas Sorghum Association reports widely varied conditions across Kansas. Combinations of flooding rains, golf-ball sized hail and drought have set the state significantly behind normal. Wayne Cleveland of the Texas Sorghum Producers reports that harvest has begun in the Rio Grande Valley with good beginning yields.

Farm Bill Fact Sheet Available

NSP has prepared a sorghum-specific fact sheet on the 2008 Farm Bill and it is available at www.sorghumgrowers.com. The Farm Bill, while not a total victory, included some significant legislation to improve sorghum's profitability.

Seed Solutions Joins NSP as Industry Partner

Seed Solutions is the newest member of the NSP Industry Partner team. Seed Solutions joined at the Bronze Level, entitling them to complimentary advertising in Sorghum Grower magazine, a company logo and website link on www.sorghumgrowers.com, recognition of their partnership at sorghum-specific Commodity Classic meetings, and all of NSP's publications and member benefits. NSP is thrilled to welcome Seed Solutions to the team and looks forward to the continued partnership. If you are interested in becoming an NSP Industry Partner, contact Christi Stulp at christi@sorghumgrowers.com.

Certification Process Open

USDA has announced that the certification process for organizations to nominate National Sorghum Checkoff board members is open. An organization must become certified to nominate. The published call for certification is at this link: <http://www.regulations.gov/fdmspublic/component/main?main=DocketDetail&d=AMS-LS-07-0056>.

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Quote of the week:

"The trouble with words is that you never know whose mouths they've been in."

--Dennis Potter

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