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Enter the NSP Yield Contest!

It is again that time of year when producers have the opportunity to compete with other farmers and against their county average for the best sorghum yields in the nation. The NSP Yield and Management contest is underway and it's not too late to enter your crop. [Click here](#) to go to the Yield Contest page of the NSP Web site. You can download an entry form, instructions, deadlines and rules there.

Biofuels Field Day in Oklahoma

In Chickasha, Okla. this week, the Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources department of Oklahoma State University (OSU) hosted a biofuels field day. The event showcased researchers' advances with sweet and forage sorghums and the plants' potential for ethanol conversion. Although the weather did not cooperate, attendance was high and participants viewed the test plots after presentations, including new harvesting prototype equipment for sweet sorghum. Visit <http://www.okstate.edu> for more information on these technologies.

94 Percent of Sorghum Approaching Harvest

Ninety-four percent of the sorghum crop was at or beyond the coloring stage, slightly behind last year and four percent behind the five-year average. Coloring was complete or nearly complete in all estimating states except Texas, where persistently cool temperatures in northern growing regions have hampered development. Maturity advanced to 72 percent, one percent behind last year and 10 percent behind the average. Harvest inched forward during the week as wet conditions kept producers out of their fields. By October 18, 39 percent of the crop was harvested, six percent behind last year and 15 percent, or three weeks, behind normal. Overall, 47 percent of the sorghum crop was reported in good to excellent condition, down slightly from last week and nine percent below ratings last year.

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Quote of the Week:

“Giving money and power to government is like giving whiskey and car keys to teenage boys.”

-- *P.J. O'Rourke, Civil Libertarian*

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