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USDA to Measure Wheat Production Throughout the Growing Season and Update Hay Stocks

Jackson, MS – The monthly Agricultural Yield Survey conducted by the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) will survey U.S. farmers beginning April 29, 2024, regarding yields of the major small grains throughout the growing season, as well as hay stocks and hay production from the previous year across the United States.

“At the beginning of each month from May through July 2024, NASS will mail the Agricultural Yield Survey to farmers in all states except Alaska and Hawaii,” said NASS Mississippi State Statistician, Esmerelda Dickson. “Which commodities the survey asks about varies from state to state, but in all cases the initial survey asks farmers how many acres of particular crops they planted, how many acres they intend to harvest, and their expected yield per acre. In subsequent months, the same farms are asked to update their expected yield per acre.”

The Agricultural Yield Survey captures changes in yield that occur due to weather, pests, disease and other factors. Survey recipients are encouraged to respond online at agcounts.usda.gov. On NASS’s Respondent Portal, they can complete their survey, track upcoming surveys, access data visualizations and reports of interest, link to other USDA agencies, and more. NASS also welcomes mail or fax responses and offers the opportunity for a telephone interview.

USDA NASS safeguards the privacy of all respondents. The information provided will be used for statistical purposes only. In accordance with federal law, responses will be kept confidential and will not be disclosed in identifiable form.

The survey data will be published results monthly, May through July, in the *Crop Production* report. This and all other NASS reports are available online at www.nass.usda.gov/Publications. For more information, call the NASS Delta Regional Office at (800) 327-2970.

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