Harvest Summary of HRW May 25, 2012

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٠	Percer	t of Harvest	Complete by Location:				
	0	Texas	31%				
	0	Oklahoma	28%				
	0	Kansas	10%				
	0	Colorado	0%				
	0	Nebraska	0%				
	0	South Dakota	0%				
	0	North Dakota	0%				
	0	Montana	0%				
	0	PNW	0%				
	0	Wyoming	0%				

The 2012 HRW wheat harvest is now in full swing in Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas. The Texas harvest stretching from Waco to Dallas/Ft. Worth is now 80% complete while the Wichita Falls area is now 90% complete and winding down. The area north of Dallas is in full swing and limited harvesting is now underway in the Texas Panhandle. Overall, Texas is now estimated to be 31% complete.

Harvest in far southwestern Oklahoma is now 90% complete (south of Hwy 62 from Lawton to Altus) with the eastern part of that area not progressing as quickly. All parts of Oklahoma are now in some stage of harvest including far northwestern Oklahoma and the Panhandle. Oklahoma is currently estimated to be 28% complete with harvest.

The 2012 Kansas wheat harvest moved into high gear this week with cutting now being reported across many the southern half of the state. The most active areas are south and southwest of Wichita.

The most common term used to describe the yield and quality of the 2012 HRW wheat crop has been "highly variable". Every state currently harvesting reports a wide range of yields (upper teens to over 70 bushels/acre). Yields in Texas have generally been averaging just under 40 bushel per acre. Oklahoma reports yields to be close to 40 bushel per acre, with higher yields being reported in the Hobart area (southwest of Oklahoma City 90 miles) with that area also reporting good protein. What few Kansas yields that have been reported are ranging from 50 and 60 bushels per acre. Test weights have also been reported to be wide ranging, but all location are still reporting averages over 60 pounds per bushel. All states are also reporting a wide range of proteins (sub 10% to over 15%), but the overall average still remains just below 12%.

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Samples												
Tst	Exp	MST	Pro %	DKG	TKW	FN	Grade	Test Weight	FM	DMG	S&B	DEF
17	53 0	11.3	11.8	0.43	28.3		1HRW	61.5 80.9	0.1	0.1	1.4	1.6
Final 2011												
Samples												
Tst	Exp	MST	Pro %	DKG	TKW	FN	Grade	Test Weight	FM	DMG	S&B	DEF
477	Final	10.6	12.4	.48	30.1	400	1HRW	60.8 79.9	0.2	0.2	1.2	1.6