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September 1 Tennessee Crop Production Forecast

Corn production in **Tennessee** is forecast at 140 million bushels, unchanged from the August forecast and down 1 percent from the previous crop. Yield was estimated at 165.0 bushels per acre, unchanged bushels from last month and down 3.0 bushels from the 2014 level. Acres for harvest as grain were estimated at 850,000 acres, up 10,000 acres from 2014. The **U.S.** corn production is forecast at 13.6 billion bushels, down 1 percent from the August forecast and down 4 percent from 2014. Based on conditions as of September 1, yields are expected to average 167.5 bushels per acre, down 1.3 bushels from last month and down 3.5 bushels from 2014. Area harvested for grain is forecast at 81.1 million acres, unchanged from the August forecast and down 2 percent from 2014.

Soybean production for **Tennessee** is forecast at 81.9 million bushels, unchanged from the August forecast and up 11 percent from 2014. Yield was estimated at 45.0 bushels per acre, unchanged from last month and down 1.0 bushels from a year ago. Acreage for harvest as beans was estimated at 1.82 million acres, up 210,000 acres from the previous year. **U.S.** soybean production is forecast at 3.94 billion bushels, up slightly from the August forecast and down 1 percent from last year. Based on September 1 conditions, yields are expected to average 47.1 bushels per acre, up 0.2 bushels from last month and down 0.7 bushels from last year. Area for harvest is forecast at 83.5 million acres, unchanged from the August forecast and up 1 percent from 2014.

Tennessee cotton production is projected to be 280,000 bales, down 13 percent from the August forecast and down 43 percent from last year. Cotton yields are forecast to average 960 pounds per acre, down 31 pounds from last month and up 82 pounds per acre from the previous year. Producers expect to harvest 140,000 acres, down 15,000 acres from the August forecast and down 130,000 acres from 2015. **U.S.** cotton production was forecast at 13.4 million bales, up 3 percent from the August forecast and down 18 percent from 2014. Yields are forecast to average 789 pounds per acre, down 6 pounds from last month and down 49 pounds from last year. Harvested acreage is estimated at 8.17 million acres, up 3 percent from the August forecast and down 13 percent from the previous year.

Tennessee burley tobacco production is forecast at 20.8 million pounds, unchanged from the August forecast but down 23 percent from 2014. Yield was projected at 1,600 pounds per acre, unchanged pounds from last month and down 150 pounds from the 2014 crop. Harvested acreage was estimated at 13,000 acres, down 2,500 acres from last year's crop. For the **burley producing states** production is forecast at 158 million pounds, up slightly from the August forecast and down 26 percent from last year. Burley growers plan to harvest 84,000 acres, down 17 percent from 2014. Yields were expected to average 1,875 pounds per acre, down 225 pounds from last year.

Production of **Tennessee dark fire-cured** tobacco is forecast at 22.8 million pounds, down 3 percent from the August forecast and up 3 percent from the previous year. **Dark air-cured** tobacco production is forecast at 3.12 million pounds, unchanged from the August forecast and up 4 percent from last year.

**CROP PRODUCTION SUMMARY, September 1
TENNESSEE AND UNITED STATES**

Crops	Area Planted ¹		Area Harvested		Yield Per Acre			Production	
	2014	2015	2014	2015 ²	2014	2015 ¹		2014	2015
						Aug 1	Sep 1 ²		
	TENNESSEE								
	<i>(1,000 acres)</i>	<i>(1,000 acres)</i>	<i>(1,000 acres)</i>	<i>(1,000 acres)</i>	<i>(bushels)</i>	<i>(bushels)</i>	<i>(bushels)</i>	<i>(1,000 bushels)</i>	<i>(1,000 bushels)</i>
Corn ³	920	920	840	850	168.0	165.0	165.0	141,120	140,250
Soybeans ³	1,640	1,850	1,610	1,820	46.0	45.0	45.0	74,060	81,900
Wheat, Winter ³⁴	530	470	475	410	66.0	67.0	--	31,350	27,470
	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(pounds)</i>	<i>(pounds)</i>	<i>(pounds)</i>	<i>(1,000 pounds)</i>	<i>(1,000 pounds)</i>
Cotton ⁵	275,000	155,000	270,000	140,000	878	991	960	494	280
Tobacco:									
All	--	--	24,250	21,800	2,151	2,178	2,143	52,155	46,720
Burley	--	--	15,500	13,000	1,750	1,600	1,600	27,125	20,800
Dark-Fire Cured	--	--	7,600	7,600	2,900	3,100	3,000	22,040	22,800
Dark-Air Cured	--	--	1,150	1,200	2,600	2,600	2,600	2,990	3,120
	UNITED STATES								
	<i>(1,000 acres)</i>	<i>(1,000 acres)</i>	<i>(1,000 acres)</i>	<i>(1,000 acres)</i>	<i>(bushels)</i>	<i>(bushels)</i>	<i>(bushels)</i>	<i>(1,000 bushels)</i>	<i>(1,000 bushels)</i>
Corn ³	90,597	88,897	83,136	81,101	171.0	168.8	167.5	14,215,532	13,584,945
Soybeans ³	83,701	84,339	83,061	83,549	47.8	46.9	47.1	3,968,823	3,935,277
Wheat, Winter ³⁴	42,399	40,620	32,304	33,329	42.6	43.2	--	1,377,526	1,438,278
	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(pounds)</i>	<i>(pounds)</i>	<i>(pounds)</i>	<i>(1,000 pounds)</i>	<i>(1,000 pounds)</i>
Cotton ⁵	11,037,400	8,555,500	9,346,800	8,166,300	838	795	789	16,319	13,428
Tobacco:									
All	--	--	378,360	332,050	2,316	2,158	2,136	876,415	709,389
Burley	--	--	101,500	84,000	2,100	1,872	1,875	213,160	157,500
Dark-Fire Cured	--	--	18,630	17,450	3,175	3,247	3,199	59,146	55,818
Dark-Air Cured	--	--	6,150	6,200	2,844	2,681	2,681	17,490	16,620

¹ Commodities with estimates not available are *(denoted by "--")*. ² Forecasted. ³ Area harvested represents grain. ⁴ Includes area planted in preceding fall. ⁵ Production in 480-lb. net weight bales. U.S. production includes American-Pima cotton.