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NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

FARGO, N.D. September 24, 2018 - For the week ending September 23, 2018, there were 4.4 days suitable for fieldwork, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 10 percent very short, 28 short, 59 adequate, and 3 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 17 percent very short, 32 short, 49 adequate, and 2 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Soybean condition rated 4 percent very poor, 14 poor, 28 fair, 46 good, and 8 excellent. Soybeans dropping leaves was 92 percent, ahead of 86 last year and 83 for the five-year average. Harvested was 21 percent, ahead of 8 last year and 9 average.

Durum wheat harvested was 97 percent.

Winter wheat planted was 54 percent, ahead of 49 last year, and equal to average. Emerged was 11 percent, equal to last year.

Corn condition rated 1 percent very poor, 10 poor, 23 fair, 51 good, and 15 excellent. Corn dented was 96 percent, ahead of 86 last year and 89 average. Mature was 65 percent, well ahead of 28 last year and 32 average. Harvested was 4 percent, near 1 both last year and average.

Canola harvested was 91 percent, near 94 last year and 89 average.

Sugarbeet condition rated 0 percent very poor, 0 poor, 6 fair, 15 good, and 79 excellent. Sugarbeets harvested was 14 percent, near 12 last year and 11 average.

Sunflower condition rated 0 percent very poor, 7 poor, 28 fair, 60 good, and 5 excellent. Sunflowers ray flowers dry was 97 percent, near 95 last year. Bracts turned yellow was 90 percent, ahead of 83 last year, and well ahead of 69 average. Bracts turned brown was 57 percent, ahead of 46 last year. Harvested was 1 percent.

Flaxseed harvested was 90 percent, equal to last year, and ahead of 76 average.

Potato condition rated 1 percent very poor, 16 poor, 31 fair, 49 good, and 3 excellent. Potatoes vines dry was 93 percent, near 90 last year, and ahead of 82 average. Harvested was 33 percent, behind 44 last year, but near 30 average.

Dry edible beans harvested was 86 percent, well ahead of 56 last year and 53 average.

Lentils harvested was 97 percent, equal to last year, and ahead of 87 average.

Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 7 percent very poor, 20 poor, 39 fair, 32 good, and 2 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 7 percent very short, 30 short, 61 adequate, and 2 surplus.

Data for this news release were provided at the county level by USDA Farm Service Agency, NDSU Extension Service, and other reporters across the State.

Access the National Crop Progress and Condition publication at:

<http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProg/2010s/2018/CropProg-09-24-2018.pdf>

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