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NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

FARGO, N.D. August 21, 2023 - For the week ending August 20, 2023, there were 5.9 days suitable for fieldwork, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 17% very short, 35% short, 46% adequate, and 2% surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 17% very short, 36% short, 46% adequate, and 1% surplus.

Field Crops Report: Soybean condition rated 5% very poor, 15% poor, 34% fair, 41% good, and 5% excellent. Soybeans setting pods was 91%, ahead of 83% last year, and near 88% for the five-year average.

Spring wheat condition rated 6% very poor, 20% poor, 35% fair, 37% good, and 2% excellent. Spring wheat coloring was 95%, near 93% last year and 97% average. Mature was 73%, ahead of 61% last year, but behind 80% average. Harvested was 24%, ahead of 16% last year, but behind 38% average.

Durum wheat condition rated 5% very poor, 11% poor, 38% fair, 44% good, and 2% excellent. Durum wheat coloring was 92%, near 88% last year and 95% average. Mature was 71%, ahead of 58% last year, but near 75% average. Harvested was 15%, behind 21% last year and 29% average.

Winter wheat mature was 99%, near 98% last year and 97% average. Harvested was 74%, behind 86% last year and 82% average.

Corn condition rated 2% very poor, 9% poor, 29% fair, 52% good, and 8% excellent. Corn dough was 59%, near 58% both last year and average. Dented was 9%, near 5% last year and 12% average.

Canola condition rated 11% very poor, 20% poor, 35% fair, 31% good, and 3% excellent. Canola coloring was 79%, behind 84% last year and 88% average. Harvested was 7%, behind 13% last year and 16% average.

Sugarbeet condition rated 1% very poor, 12% poor, 29% fair, 50% good, and 8% excellent. Sugarbeets harvested was 2%, near 1% average.

Oats condition rated 5% very poor, 13% poor, 37% fair, 43% good, and 2% excellent. Oats coloring was 94%, near 92% last year and 96% average. Mature was 71%, near 72% last year, and behind 80% average. Harvested was 27%, near 30% last year, and behind 44% average.

Barley condition rated 6% very poor, 15% poor, 38% fair, 39% good, and 2% excellent. Barley coloring was 97%, near 95% last year and 98% average. Mature was 73%, near 69% last year, but behind 85% average. Harvested was 39%, ahead of 29% last year, but behind 49% average.

Dry edible peas dropping leaves was 91%, ahead of 83% last year, but near 94% average. Harvested was 64%, ahead of 49% last year, and equal to average.

Sunflower condition rated 2% very poor, 6% poor, 30% fair, 51% good, and 11% excellent. Sunflowers blooming was 92%, equal to last year, and near 93% average. Ray flowers dry was 11%, behind 17% last year and 25% average.

Flaxseed condition rated 6% very poor, 19% poor, 32% fair, 42% good, and 1% excellent. Flaxseed coloring was 77%, near 79% last year, and behind 89% average. Harvested was 7%, behind 18% last year and 19% average.

Potato condition rated 11% very poor, 15% poor, 41% fair, 30% good, and 3% excellent. Potatoes rows closed was 89%, behind 94% last year, and near 93% average. Vines dry was 30%, well ahead of 6% last year, and ahead of 12% average.

Dry edible bean condition rated 5% very poor, 12% poor, 41% fair, 40% good, and 2% excellent. Dry edible beans setting pods was 92%, near 91% last year, and equal to average. Dropping leaves was 21%, ahead of 8% last year, but behind 29% average.

Alfalfa condition rated 4% very poor, 15% poor, 24% fair, 56% good, and 1% excellent. Alfalfa second cutting was 78%, behind 84% last year and 83% average.

Lentils harvested was 26%, ahead of 7% last year, but near 28% average.

Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 4% very poor, 16% poor, 35% fair, 42% good, and 3% excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 4% very short, 13% short, 82% adequate, and 1% 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.

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