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## NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

**FARGO, N.D. September 18, 2023** - For the week ending September 17, 2023, there were 6.4 days suitable for fieldwork, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 16% very short, 35% short, 48% adequate, and 1% surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 16% very short, 36% short, 47% adequate, and 1% surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** Soybean condition rated 4% very poor, 14% poor, 37% fair, 43% good, and 2% excellent. Soybeans dropping leaves was 69%, ahead of 54% last year, and near 66% for the five-year average. Harvested was 4%, equal to last year, and near 6% average.

Spring wheat harvested was 91%, near 89% last year, and equal to average.

Durum wheat harvested was 83%, ahead of 75% last year, and equal to average.

Winter wheat planted was 23%, behind 39% last year and 32% average.

Corn condition rated 1% very poor, 7% poor, 30% fair, 55% good, and 7% excellent. Corn dented was 86%, ahead of 74% both last year and average. Mature was 23%, near 24% last year, and behind 29% average.

Canola condition rated 6% very poor, 16% poor, 34% fair, 39% good, and 5% excellent. Canola harvested was 62%, near 66% last year, and behind 72% average.

Sugarbeet condition rated 0% very poor, 7% poor, 26% fair, 61% good, and 6% excellent. Sugarbeets harvested was 13%, near 11% both last year and average.

Oats harvested was 96%, near 93% last year and 94% average.

Barley harvested was 97%, ahead of 92% last year, and near 95% average.

Dry edible peas harvested was 97%, near 96% last year, and equal to average.

Sunflower condition rated 1% very poor, 6% poor, 31% fair, 59% good, and 3% excellent. Sunflowers ray flowers dry was 90%, near 87% last year and 89% average. Bracts turned yellow was 69%, near 65% last year and 70% average. Bracts turned brown was 29%, equal to last year, and near 31% average.

Flaxseed harvested was 62%, behind 73% both last year and average.

Potato condition rated 3% very poor, 15% poor, 35% fair, 41% good, and 6% excellent. Potatoes vines dry was 85%, well ahead of 57% last year, and ahead of 77% average. Harvested was 44%, well ahead of 24% last year and 23% average.

Dry edible bean condition rated 5% very poor, 14% poor, 35% fair, 41% good, and 5% excellent. Dry edible beans dropping leaves was 92%, ahead of 85% last year, and near 91% average. Harvested was 37%, ahead of 29% last year, but behind 44% average.

Lentils harvested was 95%, ahead of 78% both last year and average.

**Pasture and Range Report:** Pasture and range conditions rated 5% very poor, 15% poor, 31% fair, 47% good, and 2% excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 3% very short, 14% short, 82% adequate, and 1% surplus.

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