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MN CORN PRODUCTION DOWN 3 PERCENT FROM LAST MONTH

The November **CORN** for grain production is forecast at 1.19 billion bushels, down 3 percent from the October forecast, but up 7 percent from 2006, according to the USDA, NASS, Minnesota Field Office. Based on conditions as of November 1, yield is forecast at 151 bushels per acre, down 10 bushels from 2006. If realized, production would be the second highest on record. The current record production was set in 2005.

SOYBEAN production for Minnesota is forecast at 258 million bushels, unchanged from the October 1 forecast but down 19 percent from 2006. Based on conditions as of November 1, the yield is forecast at 42.0 bushels per acre, unchanged from October but down 2 bushels from last year.

SUGARBEET production is forecast at 11.4 million tons, up 5 percent from last month but down 4 percent from last year. The yield, estimated at 24.0 tons per acre is up 1.2 tons per acre from last month, but down 0.9 tons per acre from last year. If realized, this would be the second largest sugarbeet crop on record, following last year's record high production of 11.9 million tons.

FALL POTATO production is forecast at 20.9 million cwt, up 3 percent from last year. Yield is forecast at 445 cwt per acre, up 20 cwt from 2006 and up 15 cwt from the current record set in 2004. If realized, this would be the highest yield on record.

U.S. HIGHLIGHTS

CORN production is forecast at 13.2 billion bushels, down 1 percent from last month but 25 percent above 2006. Based on conditions as of November 1, yields are expected to average 153.0 bushels per acre, down 1.7 bushels from October but 3.9 bushels above last year. If realized, this yield would be the second highest on record, behind 2004. Production would be the largest on record as producers expect to harvest the most corn acres for grain since 1933. Forecast yields are lower than last month across the northern and western Corn Belt and adjacent areas of the Great Plains where actual harvest results are revealing that the impact of the hot, dry conditions during pollination was worse than initially expected. Producers in the Ohio Valley, Tennessee Valley, and mid-Atlantic States reported higher yields than last month.

SOYBEAN production is forecast at 2.59 billion bushels, down slightly from the October forecast and down 19 percent from last year's record high. Based on November 1 conditions, yields are expected to average 41.3 bushels per acre, down 0.1 bushel from last month and down 1.4 bushels from last year. Compared with last month, yields are forecast higher in Indiana, Michigan, Texas, and most of the Mid-Atlantic region as producers are realizing higher yields than expected. In contrast, yield prospects decreased or were unchanged across the remainder of the Nation as harvest progressed. Area for harvest in the U.S. is forecast at 62.8 million acres, unchanged from last month but down 16 percent from 2006.

SUGARBEET Production is forecast at 31.6 million tons, 4 percent above last month but 7 percent below last year's production of 34.1 million tons. Growers expect to harvest 1.24 million acres, unchanged from October but down 5 percent from last year. The yield is forecast at 25.4 tons per acre, up 0.9 ton from last month but down 0.7 ton from the 2006 record high yield. Although yield is down from last year's record high, it will be the second highest, if realized. Harvested acreage is forecast to be the lowest since 2001.

Production of **FALL POTATOES** for 2007 is forecast at 408 million cwt, up 2 percent from last year. Area harvested, at 997,800 acres, is virtually unchanged from the July estimate but 2 percent above last year. The average yield is forecast at 409 cwt per acre, up 3 cwt from last year's record high yield.

This is the last production forecast of the season for these commodities. Final acreage and production figures will be released on January 11, 2007 based on data collected from the end-of-year survey.

MINNESOTA & U.S. HARVESTED ACRES, YIELD AND PRODUCTION

COMMODITY	2006 HARVESTED ACRES (000)	2007 HARVESTED ACRES (000)	2006 YIELD	2007 YIELD	2006 PRODUCTION (000)	2007 PRODUCTION (000)
MINNESOTA						
CORN (Bu)	6,850	7,850	161.0	151.0	1,102,850	1,185,350
SOYBEANS (Bu)	7,250	6,150	44.0	42.0	319,000	258,300
SUGARBEETS (Ton)	477	475	24.9	24.0	11,877	11,400
FALL POTATOES (Cwt)	48	47	425	445	20,400	20,915
UNITED STATES						
CORN (Bu)	70,648	86,071	149.1	153.0	10,534,868	13,167,741
SOYBEANS (Bu)	74,602	62,818	42.7	41.3	3,188,247	2,594,275
SUGARBEETS (Ton)	1,304	1,241	26.1	25.4	34,064	31,560
FALL POTATOES (Cwt)	983	998	406	409	398,921	408,325

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