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## NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

**FARGO, N.D. April 8, 2024** - For the week ending April 7, 2024, there were 1.6 days suitable for fieldwork, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Reports indicated that, on average, producers intend to begin fieldwork on April 19th. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 12% very short, 35% short, 51% adequate, and 2% surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 13% very short, 35% short, 49% adequate, and 3% surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** Winter wheat condition rated 2% very poor, 11% poor, 41% fair, 46% good, and 0% excellent.

**Pasture and Range Report:** Cattle and calf conditions rated 0% very poor, 2% poor, 18% fair, 70% good, and 10% excellent. Cattle and calf death loss rated 1% heavy, 50% average, and 49% light. Calving progress was 43% complete, near 45% for both last year and the five-year average.

Sheep and lamb conditions rated 0% very poor, 2% poor, 21% fair, 66% good, and 11% excellent. Sheep and lamb death loss rated 1% heavy, 50% average, and 49% light. Lambing progress was 67% complete, near 69% last year and 66% average. Shearing progress was 77% complete, near 80% last year and 78% average.

Hay and roughage supplies rated 2% very short, 11% short, 81% adequate, and 6% surplus.

Stock water supplies rated 3% very short, 16% short, 80% 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.

Access the National Crop Progress and Condition publication at: <a href="https://usda.library.cornell.edu/concern/publications/8336h188">https://usda.library.cornell.edu/concern/publications/8336h188</a>

Access Crop Progress and Condition graphical products at: https://www.nass.usda.gov/Charts and Maps/Crop Progress & Condition/2024/index.php

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