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## SOUTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

SIoux FALLS, SD June 3, 2013 – For the week ending June 2, 2013, producers made little planting progress last week due to cool wet conditions, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, South Dakota Field Office. Statewide, there were 2.1 days suitable for fieldwork. Some acres of winter wheat with thin stands are reportedly being re-seeded to row crops. Topsoil moisture supplies improved with 0 percent rated very short, 6 short, 81 adequate and 13 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies improved and rated 4 percent very short, 25 short, 66 adequate and 5 surplus. Hay and pasture supplies also saw improvement with the recent precipitation. Major farm activities included application of herbicides and moving cattle to pasture.

**Field Crops Report:** Winter wheat condition rated 34 percent very poor, 24 poor, 31 fair, 11 good, and 0 excellent. Winter wheat jointed was at 46 percent. Winter wheat headed showed little progress at 2 percent, behind 85 last year and 27 average.

Spring wheat emerged was 95 percent, behind last year at 100 and near 96 average. Spring wheat condition rated 2 percent very poor, 3 poor, 33 fair, 53 good, and 9 excellent.

Oats were 96 percent emerged, behind 100 last year but ahead of 92 average. Oats condition rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 34 fair, 58 good, and 7 excellent.

Barley was 86 percent emerged, behind 100 for 2012 but near 84 average. Barley condition rated 0 percent very poor, 0 poor, 25 fair, 73 good, and 2 excellent.

Corn planting was 96 percent complete, behind last year at 100 but near 95 average. Seventy-seven percent of corn has emerged, behind last year at 94 but ahead of 70 average. Corn condition rated 3 percent very poor, 4 poor, 20 fair, 62 good, and 11 excellent.

Soybean planting advanced 15 percentage points and is 63 percent complete, behind last year at 92 and 71 average. Soybeans were 27 percent emerged, behind last year at 63 and 33 average.

Sorghum planted was 34 percent complete, behind 2012 at 56 and 50 average. Sorghum was 8 percent emerged, behind 2012 at 27 and 15 average.

Sunflowers planted were at 8 percent, behind last year at 43 and 31 average.

Alfalfa hay condition rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 41 fair, 50 good, and 4 excellent.

**Livestock, Pasture and Range Report:** Eighty-four percent of cattle were reported as moved to pasture compared to 63 percent the week before. Pasture and range conditions rated 2 percent very poor, 13 poor, 37 fair, 42 good, and 6 excellent. Hay and forage supplies rated 30 percent very short, 28 short, 40 adequate, and 2 surplus. Stock water supplies were 6 percent very short, 22 short, 68 adequate and 4 surplus.

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

Access the National publication for Crop Progress and Condition tables at:  
<http://usda01.library.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProg//2010s/2013/CropProg-06-03-2013.pdf>

Access the High Plains Region Climate Center for Temperature and Precipitation Maps at:  
[http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/maps/current/index.php?action=update\\_region&state=SD&region=HPRCC](http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/maps/current/index.php?action=update_region&state=SD&region=HPRCC)

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