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## SOUTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

**Sioux Falls, SD** – For the week ending November 13, 2016, unseasonably warm weather dominated most of the State, according to the USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service. Weather conditions were excellent for producers wrapping up harvest, completing fall tillage, and applying fertilizer. Emerging winter wheat, however, would benefit from rain. Winter wheat emergence was nearly complete, with a majority of the crop rated in fair to good condition. There were 6.8 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 11 percent very short, 27 short, 60 adequate, and 2 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 9 percent very short, 31 short, 59 adequate, and 1 surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** Corn harvested was 92 percent, near 93 both last year and the five-year average.

Sunflowers harvested was 93 percent, ahead of 84 last year and 82 average.

Winter wheat condition was 1 percent very poor, 8 poor, 39 fair, 47 good, and 5 excellent. Winter wheat emerged was 96 percent, near 98 last year, but ahead of 86 average.

**Livestock, Pasture and Range Report:** Pasture and range conditions rated 10 percent very poor, 18 poor, 37 fair, 33 good, and 2 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 9 percent very short, 23 short, 66 adequate, and 2 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 Crop Progress and Condition Report at:*

<http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProg/2010s/2016/CropProg-11-14-2016.pdf>

*Access the High Plains Region Climate Center for Temperature and Precipitation Maps at:*

<http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/maps.php?map=ACISClimateMaps>

*Access the U.S. Drought Monitor at:*

<http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/Home/StateDroughtMonitor.aspx?SD>

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