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CROP PRODUCTION – NOVEMBER 2020

MONTANA HIGHLIGHTS

Based on November 1 conditions, **sugarbeet** production in Montana is forecast at 1.43 million tons, up 24 percent from the 1.15 million tons produced in 2019, according to the November 1 Agricultural Yield Survey conducted by the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Growers expect to harvest 43,300 acres this year, compared with 36,500 acres a year ago. Yields are expected to average 33.0 tons per acre, down 0.5 ton per acre from the October 1 forecast but up from last year's yield of 31.6 tons per acre. As of November 1, Montana's sugarbeet harvest was estimated at 72 percent complete, compared with 42 percent last year and the 5-year average of 75 percent.

UNITED STATES HIGHLIGHTS

Production of **sugarbeets** for the 2020 crop year is forecast at 34.0 million tons, down 5 percent from last month but up 19 percent from last year. Sugarbeet producers expect to harvest 1.15 million acres, unchanged from the previous forecast but up 17 percent from 2019. Yield is forecast at 29.6 tons per acre, down 1.6 tons from the previous forecast but an increase of 0.4 ton from last year.

For a full copy of the *Crop Production* report please visit www.nass.usda.gov.