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NEW YORK: Days suitable for fieldwork: 4.0. Topsoil moisture was rated 42% adequate and 58% surplus. Pasture condition 10% very poor, 15% poor, 35% fair, 26% good, 14% excellent. Grain corn harvest was 50% complete compared to 57% last year. Corn silage harvest was 95% complete compared with 100% last year. Soybeans were 67% harvested compared to last years 57%. Dry beans were 70% harvested, behind last years 90%. Several rainy days and frost made it a short week for fieldwork. Most harvesting of all crops has been completed in St. Lawrence County. Grain corn harvest continues with increased prices encouraging growers. Vegetable harvests were winding down. Activities included: spreading manure, packing and grading fall potatoes and onions, orchard clean-up, machinery repair and maintenance.