NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

FARGO, ND July 22, 2013 – For the week ending July 21, 2013, continued dry and above normal temperatures across much of the state pushed development of all crops, according to the USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service. However, some areas in the northern part of the state received enough precipitation to halt all fieldwork activities. The areas across the state lacking moisture are in need of rainfall as crops are starting to show some stress. Statewide, there were 6.0 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 3 percent very short, 23 short, 62 adequate, and 12 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 2 percent very short, 18 short, 71 adequate, and 9 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Spring wheat jointed was at 95 percent, behind last year at 100 and 100 average. Headed was 82 percent, behind 100 last year and 88 average. Turning color was 11 percent, well behind last year at 75 and 27 average. Condition rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 24 fair, 57 good, and 14 excellent.

Durum wheat jointed was 95 percent, behind 100 last year but equal to 95 average. Headed was 77 percent, behind last year’s 99 but ahead of 73 average. Turning color was 4 percent, behind 46 last year and 15 average. Condition rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 18 fair, 74 good, and 6 excellent.

Oats jointed was 97 percent, behind 100 last year and 100 average. Headed was 80 percent, behind 99 last year and 88 average. Turning color was 11 percent, well behind last year’s 80 and 29 average. Condition rated 3 percent very poor, 2 poor, 17 fair, 61 good, and 17 excellent.

Barley jointed was 98 percent, behind 100 last year and 100 average. Headed was 83 percent, behind last year’s 100 and 90 average. Turning color was 9 percent, well behind 85 last year and 35 average. Condition rated 1 percent very poor, 3 poor, 27 fair, 60 good, and 9 excellent.

Canola blooming was 92 percent, behind 100 last year but near 93 average. Turning color was 7 percent, behind 51 last year and 19 average. Condition rated 1 percent very poor, 2 poor, 21 fair, 63 good, and 13 excellent.

Flaxseed blooming was 68 percent, behind last year at 90 and 76 average. Turning color was 1 percent, behind 24 last year and 8 average. Condition rated 2 percent very poor, 5 poor, 32 fair, 53 good, and 8 excellent.

Lentils harvested were 1 percent, behind 7 last year but equal to 1 average.

Sugarbeet condition rated 2 percent very poor, 7 poor, 31 fair, 48 good, and 12 excellent.

Corn silking was 14 percent, behind last year’s 79 and 30 average. Condition rated 1 percent very poor, 5 poor, 26 fair, 52 good, and 16 excellent.

Soybean blooming was 53 percent, behind 2012 at 89 and average at 63. Setting pods was 3 percent, well behind 56 last year and 22 average. Condition rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 29 fair, 54 good, and 12 excellent.

Potatoes emerged was 96 percent, behind 100 last year and 100 average. Blooming was 59 percent, behind 89 last year and 78 average. Rows filled were 11 percent, well behind 72 last year and 41 average. Condition rated 7 percent very poor, 14 poor, 41 fair, 30 good, and 8 excellent.

Dry edible pea flowering was 90 percent, behind last year at 100 and 96 average. Mature was 4 percent, well behind 72 last year and 29 average. Condition rated 1 percent very poor, 7 poor, 18 fair, 68 good, and 6 excellent.

Dry edible bean blooming was 38 percent, behind last year at 91 and 58 average. Setting pods was 2 percent, behind 53 last year and 18 average. Condition rated 2 percent very poor, 6 poor, 35 fair, 51 good, and 6 excellent.

Sunflower blooming was 2 percent, behind 18 last year and 6 average. Condition rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 24 fair, 60 good, and 11 excellent.

First cutting of alfalfa hay was 94 percent complete. Second cutting of alfalfa hay was 7 percent complete. Alfalfa hay condition rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 15 fair, 54 good, and 29 excellent.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 13 fair, 56 good, and 29 excellent. Stock water supplies were rated 0 percent very short, 2 short, 80 adequate, and 18 surplus.

Data for this news release were provided at the county level by USDA Farm Service Agency and NDSU Extension Service.

Access the National publication for Crop Progress and Condition tables at: http://usda01.library.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProg//2010s/2013/CropProg-07-22-2013.pdf


Access the U.S. Drought Monitor at: http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/DM_state.htm?ND_H