NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

FARGO, ND November 12, 2013 – For the week ending November 10, 2013, a continued pattern of little to no moisture was realized for the third consecutive week, according to the USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service. This allowed producers to make good harvest progress on their remaining row crops. However, some areas still have wet soils causing producers to delay harvest activities until freezing temperatures occur. Livestock producers continue their work of weaning and selling calves, moving livestock to harvested corn fields for grazing, and hauling hay to winter feeding areas. Temperatures for the week were 2 to 6 degrees below normal over much of the state. Statewide, there were 5.7 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 0 percent very short, 3 short, 79 adequate and 18 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 0 percent very short, 5 short, 83 adequate and 12 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat emerged was estimated at 97 percent. Condition rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 22 fair, 64 good, and 13 excellent.

Flaxseed harvest was 95 percent complete, behind last year’s 100 and 99 average.

Corn harvest was 64 percent complete, well behind last year’s 100 but near 63 average. Condition rated 3 percent very poor, 10 poor, 34 fair, 42 good and 11 excellent.

Soybean harvest was 95 percent complete, behind last year’s 100 but ahead of 92 average.

Sunflowers harvested were 45 percent, well behind 91 last year and 76 average. Condition rated 2 percent very poor, 10 poor, 30 fair, 51 good, and 7 excellent.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 9 poor, 20 fair, 56 good, and 14 excellent. Cattle and calf conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 10 fair, 75 good and 14 excellent. Sheep and lamb conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 13 fair, 75 good and 11 excellent. Stock water supplies rated 0 percent very short, 2 short, 86 adequate and 12 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-11-12-2013.pdf


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