NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

FARGO, ND November 4, 2013 – For the week ending November 3, 2013, little to no moisture was received across the state last week, according to the USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service. This was the second consecutive week of dry weather and much needed as producers worked to get their remaining row crops harvested. Fall fertilizer applications were done in areas not too wet. However, most areas indicated that good progress was made. Livestock producers were busy weaning and selling calves, moving livestock to harvested corn fields for grazing, and hauling hay to winter feeding areas. Temperatures for the week were 1 to 5 degrees below normal over much of the state. Statewide, there were 5.8 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 0 percent very short, 4 short, 74 adequate and 22 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 0 percent very short, 7 short, 80 adequate and 13 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat emerged was estimated at 92 percent. Condition rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 25 fair, 63 good, and 11 excellent.

Flaxseed harvest was 94 percent complete, behind last year’s 100 and 98 average.

Corn harvest was 47 percent complete, well behind last year’s 97 and 56 average. Condition rated 3 percent very poor, 12 poor, 37 fair, 38 good and 10 excellent.

Soybean harvest was 90 percent complete, behind last year’s 100 but ahead of 86 average.

Dry edible bean harvest was 96 percent complete, behind last year’s 100 but ahead of 93 average.

Sunflowers harvested were 26 percent, well behind 88 last year and 59 average. Condition rated 2 percent very poor, 10 poor, 28 fair, 52 good, and 8 excellent.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 9 poor, 24 fair, 53 good, and 13 excellent. Cattle and calf conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 10 fair, 77 good and 11 excellent. Sheep and lamb conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 14 fair, 75 good and 9 excellent. Stock water supplies rated 0 percent very short, 2 short, 87 adequate and 11 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:

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

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