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NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

FARGO, ND October 14, 2014 – For the week ending October 12, 2014, good harvest progress was made as conditions were mostly dry, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Scattered moisture was received last week with amounts less than half an inch. Producers that have finished harvesting are now applying fertilizer and doing fall tillage. Livestock producers continued weaning calves. Statewide, there were 5.8 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 0 percent very short, 7 short, 84 adequate, and 9 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 0 percent very short, 6 short, 84 adequate, and 10 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat planting was 94 percent complete. Emerged was 59 percent.

Durum wheat harvest was 92 percent complete, behind 97 for the five-year average.

Flaxseed harvested was 80 percent, behind 90 average.

Lentils harvest advanced to 88 percent complete, behind 99 average.

Dry beans harvested was 81 percent, equal to average.

Potato harvest was 88 percent complete, ahead of 83 average.

Corn mature was 76 percent, near 79 average. Harvested was 2 percent complete, well behind 23 average. Conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 6 poor, 18 fair, 58 good, and 17 excellent.

Soybean harvest advanced to 64 percent complete, near 62 average. Conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 20 fair, 60 good, and 15 excellent.

Sunflowers at the bracts yellow stage were 98 percent, equal to average. Bracts brown were 82 percent, behind 88 average. Harvest was 2 percent complete, well behind 17 average. Conditions rated 2 percent very poor, 4 poor, 20 fair, 61 good, and 13 excellent.

Sugarbeet harvest advanced rapidly with 96 percent complete, well ahead of 55 average.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 17 fair, 59 good, and 19 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 0 percent very short, 2 short, 84 adequate, and 14 surplus.

Note: Due to a lapse in federal funding in October 2013, the Crop Progress reports for the weeks ending October 6, 2013 and October 13, 2013 were canceled. Therefore, previous year estimates for the corresponding weeks will not be available. Five-year average estimates will reflect the years 2009-2013 using published estimates for 2009-2012 and imputed estimates for 2013.

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://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProg//2010s/2014/CropProg-10-14-2014.pdf>

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

http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/maps/current/index.php?action=update_region&state=ND®ion=HPRCC

Access the U.S. Drought Monitor at:

<http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/Home/StateDroughtMonitor.aspx?ND>