NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

FARGO, ND, February 2, 2015 – For the month of January 2015, above normal temperatures and limited precipitation was experienced statewide, according to the USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service. Winter wheat conditions were challenged in some areas due to the lack of snow cover combined with cold temperatures early in the month. Some livestock producers have started calving and lambing, while others are preparing for production sales. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 2 percent very short, 25 short, 69 adequate, and 4 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 1 percent very short, 16 short, 77 adequate, and 6 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat condition rated 2 percent very poor, 10 poor, 32 fair, 52 good, and 4 excellent.

Livestock Report: Cattle and calf conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 12 fair, 73 good, and 14 excellent. Cattle and calf death loss was rated 0 percent heavy, 31 average, and 69 light.

Sheep and lamb conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 12 fair, 78 good, and 9 excellent. Sheep and lamb death loss was rated 0 percent heavy, 39 average, and 61 light.

Hay and roughage supplies rated 0 percent very short, 2 short, 73 adequate, and 25 surplus.

Stock water supplies rated 1 percent very short, 4 short, 86 adequate, and 9 surplus.

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

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