



News Release

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NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

FARGO, ND, July 20, 2015 – For the week ending July 19, 2015, storms with strong winds, heavy rain, and isolated hail over the central and eastern parts of the State caused some lodging and low-are flooding, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Some crops will be lost due to standing water, but the extent of the loss won't be known until later. The persistent wet conditions are causing disease concerns in some crops. Dry weather is needed in these areas to dry the soils and ease the threat of disease. There were 5.1 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 0 percent very short, 5 short, 79 adequate, and 16 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 0 percent very short, 5 short, 80 adequate, and 15 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat condition rated 1 percent very poor, 8 poor, 27 fair, 53 good, and 11 excellent. Winter wheat coloring was 75 percent, well ahead of 48 last year. Mature was 4 percent.

Durum wheat condition rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 13 fair, 67 good, and 19 excellent. Durum wheat headed was 78 percent, well ahead of 33 last year, and ahead of the five-year average of 60. Coloring was 11 percent, ahead of 4 last year, and near 9 average.

Spring wheat condition rated 0 percent very poor, 3 poor, 15 fair, 62 good, and 20 excellent. Spring wheat headed was 94 percent, ahead of 76 last year and 80 average. Coloring was 40 percent, well ahead of 8 last year, and ahead of 22 average.

Barley condition rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 10 fair, 72 good, and 16 excellent. Barley headed was 96 percent, ahead of 79 last year and 81 average. Coloring was 44 percent, well ahead of 15 last year, and ahead of 26 average.

Oats condition rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 13 fair, 67 good, and 15 excellent. Oats headed was 96 percent, well ahead of 74 last year, and ahead of 79 average. Coloring was 45 percent, well ahead of 11 last year and 22 average.

Corn condition rated 0 percent very poor, 4 poor, 16 fair, 68 good, and 12 excellent. Corn silking was 17 percent, ahead of 9 last year, but behind 26 average.

Soybean condition rated 0 percent very poor, 3 poor, 15 fair, 69 good, and 13 excellent. Soybeans blooming was 71 percent, well ahead of 51 last year, and ahead of 57 average. Setting pods was 23 percent, ahead of 6 last year and 15 average.

Canola condition rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 17 fair, 63 good, and 18 excellent. Canola blooming was 96 percent, near 95 last year, and ahead of 91 average. Coloring was 16 percent, ahead of 9 last year, and near 14 average.

Sunflower condition rated 0 percent very poor, 6 poor, 15 fair, 72 good, and 7 excellent. Sunflowers blooming was 8 percent, ahead of 1 last year, and near 4 average.

Flaxseed condition rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 13 fair, 78 good, and 8 excellent. Flaxseed blooming was 90 percent, well ahead of 69 last year and 67 average. Coloring was 14 percent.

Dry edible peas condition rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 18 fair, 65 good, and 16 excellent. Dry edible peas blooming was 95 percent, ahead of 82 last year and 90 average. Dropping leaves was 15 percent.

Dry edible beans condition rated 1 percent very poor, 6 poor, 22 fair, 59 good, and 12 excellent. Dry edible beans blooming was 45 percent, near 44 last year, but behind 51 average. Setting pods was 2 percent, behind 10 last year and 14 average.

Potatoes condition rated 3 percent very poor, 5 poor, 28 fair, 53 good, and 11 excellent. Potatoes blooming was 87 percent, ahead of 78 last year and 73 average. Rows filled was 41 percent, well ahead of 16 last year, and ahead of 31 average.

Alfalfa condition rated 2 percent very poor, 8 poor, 27 fair, 53 good, and 10 excellent. Alfalfa hay first cutting was 90 percent, ahead of 77 last year, and near 89 average. Second cutting was 15 percent.

Sugarbeet condition rated 0 percent very poor, 3 poor, 19 fair, 61 good, and 17 excellent.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 3 poor, 16 fair, 60 good, and 20 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 0 percent very short, 4 short, 85 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:

<http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProg/2010s/2015/CropProg-07-20-2015.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>