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## NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

**Fargo, ND** – For the week ending May 22, 2016, dry conditions allowed significant planting progress to be made, according to the USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service. Much of the eastern half of the State received rain Sunday night, with many areas receiving an inch. The western half received little to no rain and moisture is needed soon to ensure good germination. Pastures in the western half of the State were also showing signs of stress due to the lack of moisture. There were 6.6 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 4 percent very short, 29 short, 65 adequate, and 2 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 2 percent very short, 27 short, 70 adequate, and 1 surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** Winter wheat condition rated 1 percent very poor, 3 poor, 27 fair, 61 good, and 8 excellent. Winter wheat jointed was 70 percent, ahead of 51 last year. Headed was 3 percent, ahead of 0 last year.

Durum wheat planted was 83 percent, equal to last year, but well ahead of 51 for the five-year average. Emerged was 67 percent, well ahead of 39 last year and 27 average. Jointed was 2 percent.

Spring wheat condition rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 18 fair, 76 good, and 4 excellent. Spring wheat planted was 94 percent, near 92 last year, but well ahead of 65 average. Emerged was 75 percent, ahead of 66 last year, and well ahead of 40 average. Jointed was 3 percent, near 1 last year.

Barley condition rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 19 fair, 70 good, and 9 excellent. Barley planted was 94 percent, equal to last year, but well ahead of 59 average. Emerged was 74 percent, ahead of 67 last year, and well ahead of 35 average. Jointed was 1 percent, equal to last year.

Oats condition rated 2 percent very poor, 2 poor, 18 fair, 75 good, and 3 excellent. Oats planted was 92 percent, near 91 last year, but well ahead of 64 average. Emerged was 71 percent, ahead of 54 last year, and well ahead of 38 average. Jointed was 4 percent.

Corn planted was 91 percent, ahead of 79 last year, and well ahead of 67 average. Emerged was 49 percent, ahead of 32 last year, and well ahead of 26 average.

Soybeans planted was 81 percent, well ahead of 48 last year and 38 average. Emerged was 21 percent, ahead of 13 last year and 8 average.

Canola planted was 86 percent, ahead of 81 last year, and well ahead of 52 average. Emerged was 51 percent, ahead of 41 last year, and well ahead of 25 average.

Sunflowers planted was 46 percent, well ahead of 25 last year and 18 average. Emerged was 3 percent.

Flaxseed planted was 75 percent, ahead of 63 last year, and well ahead of 36 average. Emerged was 40 percent, well ahead of 9 last year.

Dry peas planted was 94 percent, near 96 last year, but well ahead of 65 average. Emerged was 82 percent, ahead of 63 last year, and well ahead of 30 average.

Dry edible beans planted was 60 percent, well ahead of 26 last year and 22 average. Emerged was 6 percent.

Potatoes planted was 87 percent, well ahead of 64 last year and 42 average. Emerged was 21 percent, ahead of 8 last year and 7 average.

**Livestock, Pasture and Range Report:** Pasture and range conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 31 fair, 58 good, and 6 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 1 percent very short, 10 short, 86 adequate, and 3 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/2016/CropProg-05-23-2016.pdf>

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

<http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/maps.php?map=ACISClimateMaps>

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