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NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

Fargo, ND – For the week ending July 24, 2016, average temperatures were two to six degrees above normal across most of the State, according to the USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service. Moisture fell across much of the State with an inch or more. Hail in the west and south central parts of the State caused some damage to crops. Producers were busy spraying, haying, and getting equipment ready for harvest. There were 5.0 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 2 percent very short, 12 short, 71 adequate, and 15 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 3 percent very short, 14 short, 71 adequate, and 12 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat condition rated 2 percent very poor, 6 poor, 20 fair, 64 good, and 8 excellent. Winter wheat coloring was 93 percent, ahead of 87 last year. Harvested was 13 percent, ahead of 0 last year.

Durum wheat condition rated 1 percent very poor, 2 poor, 10 fair, 69 good, and 18 excellent. Durum wheat headed was 95 percent, ahead of 88 last year, and well ahead of 71 for the five-year average. Coloring was 52 percent, ahead of 40 last year, and well ahead of 23 average.

Spring wheat condition rated 3 percent very poor, 7 poor, 19 fair, 63 good, and 8 excellent. Spring wheat coloring was 72 percent, ahead of 59 last year, and well ahead of 36 average.

Barley condition rated 2 percent very poor, 4 poor, 17 fair, 67 good, and 10 excellent. Barley coloring was 86 percent, ahead of 70 last year, and well ahead of 42 average.

Oats condition rated 4 percent very poor, 8 poor, 21 fair, 62 good, and 5 excellent. Oats coloring was 78 percent, ahead 69 last year, and well ahead of 40 average. Harvested was 26 percent, well ahead of 0 last year and 5 average.

Corn condition rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 17 fair, 63 good, and 15 excellent. Corn silking was 45 percent, near 43 last year and 42 average.

Soybeans condition rated 2 percent very poor, 5 poor, 22 fair, 60 good, and 11 excellent. Soybeans blooming was 81 percent, near 82 last year, and ahead of 72 average. Setting pods were 36 percent, behind 43 last year, but ahead of 31 average.

Canola condition rated 3 percent very poor, 3 poor, 18 fair, 68 good, and 8 excellent. Canola coloring was 48 percent, well ahead of 28 last year and 25 average.
Sunflowers condition rated 1 percent very poor, 5 poor, 24 fair, 65 good, and 5 excellent. Sunflowers blooming was 22 percent, near 20 last year and ahead of 12 average.

Flaxseed condition rated 2 percent very poor, 3 poor, 14 fair, 75 good, and 6 excellent. Flaxseed blooming was 97 percent, near 94 last year, and ahead of 80 average. Coloring was 29 percent, ahead of 24 last year, and 14 average.

Dry peas condition rated 2 percent very poor, 4 poor, 13 fair, 69 good, and 12 excellent. Dry peas dropping leaves was 53 percent, ahead of 37 last year. Harvested was 5 percent.

Dry edible beans condition rated 7 percent very poor, 8 poor, 26 fair, 49 good, and 10 excellent. Dry edible beans blooming was 75 percent, ahead of 66 last year and 65 average. Setting pods was 44 percent, ahead of 20 last year, and ahead of 25 average.

Potatoes condition rated 11 percent very poor, 10 poor, 32 fair, 36 good, and 11 excellent. Potatoes blooming was 97 percent, near 93 last year, and ahead of 85 average. Rows filled was 59 percent, ahead of 57 last year, and near 45 average.

Alfalfa hay condition rated 7 percent very poor, 14 poor, 32 fair, 43 good, and 4 excellent. Alfalfa hay second cutting was 39 percent complete, ahead of 29 last year, and well ahead of 17 average.

Sugarbeets condition rated 3 percent very poor, 3 poor, 32 fair, 51 good, and 11 excellent.

**Livestock, Pasture and Range Report:** Pasture and range conditions rated 5 percent very poor, 10 poor, 27 fair, 52 good, and 6 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 6 percent very short, 17 short, 74 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:*  

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

*Access the U.S. Drought Monitor at:*  

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