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NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

Fargo, ND – For the week ending August 7, 2016, average temperatures ranged from one to three degrees below normal in the southwestern part of the State up to one to two degrees above normal in the eastern part, according to the USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service. The western part of the State received little to no rain last week, while the northeastern part of the state received one to two inches. Some isolated hail was reported. The dry weather in the west has allowed producers to make progress harvesting their small grains. However, persistent rain during the growing season in the northeast has caused lowland flooding, disease issues and harvest delays. There were 5.7 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 3 percent very short, 17 short, 69 adequate, and 11 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 3 percent very short, 16 short, 71 adequate, and 10 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat condition rated 2 percent very poor, 6 poor, 21 fair, 64 good, and 7 excellent. Winter wheat harvested was 74 percent, well ahead of 21 last year.

Durum wheat condition rated 1 percent very poor, 2 poor, 10 fair, 69 good, and 18 excellent. Durum wheat coloring was 70 percent, behind 75 last year, but ahead of 52 five-year average.

Spring wheat condition rated 3 percent very poor, 7 poor, 19 fair, 62 good, and 9 excellent. Spring wheat coloring was 94 percent, near 93 last year, and well ahead of 73 average. Harvested was 22 percent, ahead of 11 last year and 15 average.

Barley condition rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 16 fair, 68 good, and 11 excellent. Barley harvested was 33 percent, ahead of 21 last year and 19 average.

Oats condition rated 4 percent very poor, 8 poor, 23 fair, 60 good, and 5 excellent. Oats coloring was 96 percent, equal to last year, and well ahead of 75 average. Harvested was 44 percent, well ahead of 14 last year and 18 average.

Corn condition rated 1 percent very poor, 3 poor, 16 fair, 65 good, and 15 excellent. Corn silking was 89 percent, near 91 last year and near to 87 average. Dough was 22 percent, near 18 last year and 20 average. Dented was 2 percent, near 1 last year and equal to average.

Soybeans condition rated 2 percent very poor, 5 poor, 20 fair, 61 good, and 12 excellent. Soybeans blooming was 96 percent, near 97 last year and 94 average. Setting pods was 78 percent, near 82 last year, but ahead of 72 average.
Canola condition rated 3 percent very poor, 3 poor, 16 fair, 68 good, and 10 excellent. Canola coloring was 76 percent, behind 82 last year, but ahead of 65 average.

Sunflowers condition rated 1 percent very poor, 5 poor, 21 fair, 67 good, and 6 excellent. Sunflowers blooming was 84 percent, ahead of 72 last year, and well ahead of 51 average.

Flaxseed condition rated 2 percent very poor, 4 poor, 14 fair, 73 good, and 7 excellent. Flaxseed coloring was 73 percent, equal to last year, and well ahead of 44 average.

Dry peas condition rated 2 percent very poor, 4 poor, 13 fair, 69 good, and 12 excellent. Dry peas dropping leaves was 93 percent, near 89 last year. Harvested was 55 percent, well ahead of 34 last year.

Dry edible beans condition rated 7 percent very poor, 7 poor, 24 fair, 50 good, and 12 excellent. Dry edible beans blooming was 96 percent, near 92 last year and 91 average. Setting pods was 81 percent, ahead of 72 last year and 67 average.

Potatoes condition rated 11 percent very poor, 10 poor, 30 fair, 38 good, and 11 excellent. Potato rows filled was 90 percent, near 91 last year, and ahead of 79 average. Vines dry was 5 percent, near 6 last year.

Alfalfa hay condition rated 7 percent very poor, 15 poor, 31 fair, 43 good, and 4 excellent. Alfalfa hay second cutting was 66 percent complete, near 70 last year, but well ahead of 54 average.

Sugarbeets condition rated 3 percent very poor, 3 poor, 27 fair, 55 good, and 12 excellent.

**Livestock, Pasture and Range Report:** Pasture and range conditions rated 5 percent very poor, 10 poor, 28 fair, 52 good, and 5 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 5 percent very short, 18 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.*

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

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