Fargo, ND – For the week ending September 4, 2016, temperatures ranged from two to eight degrees above normal across much of the State, according to the USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service. The northeast again received significant moisture which caused further delays in getting small grains harvested. Reports also indicated that some potatoes and sugar beets were rotting in the ground because of persistent moisture. Significant progress was made in the harvest of dry beans. There were 5.9 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 4 percent very short, 17 short, 67 adequate, and 12 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 5 percent very short, 15 short, 69 adequate, and 11 surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** Durum wheat condition rated 2 percent very poor, 4 poor, 15 fair, 61 good, and 18 excellent. Durum wheat mature was 97 percent, near 95 last year. Harvested was 69 percent, behind 74 last year, but ahead of 50 for the five-year average.

Spring wheat harvested was 91 percent, equal to last year, but well ahead of 70 average.

Barley harvested was 95 percent, near 96 last year, but ahead of 79 average.

Oats harvested was 95 percent, near 94 last year, and ahead of 76 average.

Corn condition rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 17 fair, 63 good, and 15 excellent. Corn dough was 94 percent, near 95 last year, but ahead of 89 average. Dented was 64 percent, equal to last year, but well ahead of 48 average. Mature was 8 percent, near 4 last year and 7 average.

Soybeans condition rated 2 percent very poor, 5 poor, 19 fair, 60 good, and 14 excellent. Soybeans dropping leaves was 29 percent, behind 40 last year, but near 26 average.

Canola condition rated 1 percent very poor, 3 poor, 18 fair, 67 good, and 11 excellent. Canola harvested was 77 percent, ahead of 63 last year, and well ahead of 56 average.

Sunflowers condition rated 1 percent very poor, 5 poor, 23 fair, 65 good, and 6 excellent. Sunflowers ray flowers dried was 78 percent, near 76 last year, and well ahead of 57 average. Bracts turning yellow was 52 percent, well ahead of 27 last year and 19 average. Bracts turning brown was 6 percent, near 4 last year.

Flaxseed condition rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 17 fair, 72 good, and 6 excellent. Flaxseed harvested was 60 percent, near 57 last year, and well ahead of 34 average.
Dry edible beans condition rated 7 percent very poor, 6 poor, 26 fair, 50 good, and 11 excellent. Dry edible beans dropping leaves was 68 percent, behind 80 last year, but ahead of 59 average. Harvested was 18 percent, behind 24 last year, but ahead of 13 average.

Potatoes condition rated 16 percent very poor, 15 poor, 29 fair, 33 good, and 7 excellent. Potato vines dry was 41 percent, near 37 last year, and ahead of 29 average. Harvested was 6 percent, near 4 last year.

Alfalfa hay condition rated 7 percent very poor, 14 poor, 35 fair, 41 good, and 3 excellent. Alfalfa hay second cutting was 89 percent complete, behind 95 last year, and near 92 average.

Sugarbeets condition rated 6 percent very poor, 7 poor, 24 fair, 48 good, and 15 excellent. Sugarbeets harvested was 5 percent, near 7 last year and 4 average.

Lentils harvested was 74 percent, behind 86 last year.

Winter wheat planted was 1 percent, equal to last year.

**Livestock, Pasture and Range Report:** Pasture and range conditions rated 6 percent very poor, 12 poor, 29 fair, 49 good, and 4 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 6 percent very short, 20 short, 72 adequate, and 2 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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