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NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

Fargo, ND – For the week ending September 11, 2016, average temperatures ranged from one to five degrees below normal across most of North Dakota, according to the USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service. Most harvest activities in the northeastern part of the State were halted due to rainfall. Persistent moisture in this area has caused drowned out acres and promoted disease in unharvested crops. The moisture received in the southwestern part of the State was much needed, as late season crops were showing signs of stress. There were 4.3 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 3 percent very short, 14 short, 70 adequate, and 13 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 4 percent very short, 14 short, 71 adequate, and 11 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Durum wheat harvested was 77 percent, behind 85 last year, but ahead of 65 for the five-year average.

Spring wheat harvested was 95 percent, near 96 last year, but ahead of 82 average.

Corn condition rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 17 fair, 62 good, and 16 excellent. Corn dough was 97 percent, near 96 both last year and average. Dented was 77 percent, near 78 last year, but ahead of 70 average. Mature was 23 percent, ahead of 11 last year and 16 average. Harvested was 1 percent, near 0 last year, and equal to average.

Soybeans condition rated 2 percent very poor, 5 poor, 18 fair, 61 good, and 14 excellent. Soybeans dropping leaves was 53 percent, behind 61 last year, but ahead of 46 average.

Canola harvested was 82 percent, ahead of 75 last year and 73 average.

Sunflowers condition rated 1 percent very poor, 5 poor, 23 fair, 65 good, and 6 excellent. Sunflowers ray flowers dried was 86 percent, near 89 last year, but ahead of 76 average. Bracts turning yellow was 67 percent, ahead of 48 last year, and well ahead of 37 average. Bracts turning brown was 22 percent, ahead of 12 last year.

Flaxseed harvested was 74 percent, near 71 last year, and well ahead of 49 average.

Dry edible beans condition rated 8 percent very poor, 8 poor, 27 fair, 46 good, and 11 excellent. Dry edible beans dropping leaves was 87 percent, near 90 last year, but ahead of 79 average. Harvested was 31 percent, behind 43 last year, but ahead of 24 average.

Potatoes condition rated 16 percent very poor, 18 poor, 29 fair, 31 good, and 6 excellent. Potato vines dry was 67 percent, ahead of 54 last year and 51 average. Harvested was 8 percent, near 9 last year, and equal to average.

Alfalfa hay second cutting was 91 percent complete.

Sugarbeets condition rated 8 percent very poor, 8 poor, 21 fair, 48 good, and 15 excellent. Sugarbeets harvested was 8 percent, near 11 last year and 7 average.

Lentils harvested was 89 percent, near 90 last year.

Winter wheat planted was 10 percent, behind 25 last year.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 6 percent very poor, 11 poor, 28 fair, 50 good, and 5 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 6 percent very short, 19 short, 73 adequate, and 2 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-09-12-2016.pdf>

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

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

Access the U.S. Drought Monitor at:

<http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/Home/StateDroughtMonitor.aspx?ND>

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