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NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

Fargo, ND – For the week ending September 18, 2016, temperatures averaged from one to four degrees below normal across most of North Dakota, according to the USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service. Soybean harvest began this week, while other crop harvest activities slowed due to rainfall. Crop disease were still an issue due to damp conditions. There were 4.6 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 3 percent very short, 13 short, 70 adequate, and 14 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 4 percent very short, 13 short, 70 adequate, and 13 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Durum wheat harvested was 85 percent, behind 93 last year, but ahead of 78 for the five-year average.

Corn condition rated 1 percent very poor, 3 poor, 17 fair, 63 good, and 16 excellent. Corn dented was 88 percent, equal to last year, and near 84 average. Mature was 40 percent, ahead of 23 last year and 30 average. Harvested was 2 percent, near 0 last year and 3 average.

Soybeans condition rated 2 percent very poor, 6 poor, 19 fair, 60 good, and 13 excellent. Soybeans dropping leaves was 74 percent, behind 80 last year, but ahead of 69 average. Harvested was 2 percent, behind 7 last year and 9 average.

Canola harvested was 89 percent, near 87 last year and 86 average.

Sunflowers condition rated 1 percent very poor, 5 poor, 23 fair, 65 good, and 6 excellent. Sunflowers ray flowers dried was 90 percent, near 94 last year and 89 average. Bracts turning yellow was 74 percent, near 70 last year, and ahead of 58 average. Bracts turning brown was 32 percent, near 34 last year.

Flaxseed harvested was 86 percent, near 83 last year, and well ahead of 65 average.

Dry edible beans condition rated 8 percent very poor, 10 poor, 29 fair, 43 good, and 10 excellent. Dry edible beans dropping leaves was 93 percent, near 96 last year and 91 average. Harvested was 43 percent, well behind 65 last year, and near 44 average.

Potatoes condition rated 17 percent very poor, 19 poor, 30 fair, 28 good, and 6 excellent. Potato vines dry was 85 percent, ahead of 75 last year and 73 average. Harvested was 15 percent, behind 26 last year and 22 average.

Alfalfa hay second cutting was 94 percent complete.

Sugarbeet condition rated 9 percent very poor, 9 poor, 22 fair, 46 good, and 14 excellent. Sugarbeets harvested was 9 percent, behind 14 last year and equal to average.

Lentils harvested was 91 percent, near 93 last year, but ahead of 80 average.

Winter wheat planted was 36 percent, behind 47 last year. Emerged was 4 percent.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 5 percent very poor, 11 poor, 28 fair, 52 good, and 4 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 6 percent very short, 19 short, 72 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-09-19-2016.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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