For the week ending July 2, 2017, dry conditions persisted over much of the State, especially in the western and southern parts, according to the USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service. Much needed moisture was received in central and eastern North Dakota, with rainfall amounts ranging from one to two inches. There were some reports of producers in the western part of the State baling wheat because of drought conditions. Temperatures for the week averaged two to eight degrees below normal. There were 6.3 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 24 percent very short, 30 short, 44 adequate, and 2 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 17 percent very short, 28 short, 52 adequate, and 3 surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** Corn condition rated 5 percent very poor, 11 poor, 29 fair, 52 good, and 3 excellent. Corn silking was 2 percent, near 5 for the five-year average.

Soybean condition rated 5 percent very poor, 12 poor, 35 fair, 45 good, and 3 excellent. Soybeans blooming was 8 percent, well behind 34 last year, and behind 16 average.

Winter wheat condition rated 18 percent very poor, 21 poor, 26 fair, 34 good, and 1 excellent. Winter wheat headed was 88 percent, behind 98 last year. Coloring was 23 percent, behind 34 average. Mature was 18 percent.

Spring wheat condition rated 11 percent very poor, 19 poor, 29 fair, 37 good, and 4 excellent. Spring wheat jointed was 94 percent, near 97 last year, but ahead of 84 average. Headed was 57 percent, well behind 78 last year, but ahead of 52 average. Coloring was 4 percent.

Barley condition rated 11 percent very poor, 13 poor, 28 fair, 45 good, and 3 excellent. Barley jointed was 94 percent, near 98 last year, but ahead of 85 average. Headed was 57 percent, well behind 86 last year, but ahead of 52 average. Coloring was 3 percent.

Oats condition rated 19 percent very poor, 27 poor, 31 fair, 22 good, and 1 excellent. Oats jointed was 93 percent, near 97 last year, but ahead of 86 average. Headed was 63 percent, behind 82 last year, but ahead of 53 average. Coloring was 8 percent.

Sunflowers emerged was 96 percent, near 97 last year. Blooming was 3 percent, behind 8 last year.

Dry edible beans condition rated 2 percent very poor, 8 poor, 19 fair, 54 good, and 17 excellent. Dry edible beans blooming was 5 percent, behind 16 last year, but near 9 average.
Durum wheat condition rated 7 percent very poor, 16 poor, 44 fair, 30 good, and 3 excellent. Durum wheat jointed was 94 percent, near 97 last year, but well ahead of 72 average. Headed was 50 percent, behind 58 last year. Coloring was 7 percent.

Canola condition rated 7 percent very poor, 14 poor, 36 fair, 42 good, and 1 excellent. Canola blooming was 57 percent, well behind 80 last year, but near 59 average. Coloring was 3 percent.

Flaxseed condition rated 14 percent very poor, 18 poor, 35 fair, 32 good, and 1 excellent. Flaxseed emerged was 97 percent. Blooming was 28 percent, behind 46 last year, but near 29 average.

Dry edible peas condition rated 6 percent very poor, 16 poor, 37 fair, 39 good, and 2 excellent. Dry edible peas blooming was 60 percent, well behind 88 last year, but near 59 average. Dropping leaves was 3 percent.

Potatoes blooming was 7 percent, well behind 34 last year.

Alfalfa condition rated 37 percent very poor, 27 poor, 25 fair, 10 good, and 1 excellent. Alfalfa first cutting was 77 percent complete, behind 82 last year. Second cutting was 1 percent, near 3 last year.

Sugarbeets condition rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 10 fair, 63 good, and 25 excellent.

**Pasture and Range Report:** Pasture and range conditions rated 32 percent very poor, 31 poor, 24 fair, 12 good, and 1 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 17 percent very short, 30 short, 52 adequate, and 1 surplus.

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