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NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

FARGO, N.D. October 30, 2017 – For the week ending October 29, 2017, dry conditions across the State allowed producers to make harvest progress, according to the USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service. Livestock producers were busy marketing spring calves and preparing to wean calves for backgrounding. Temperatures averaged one to three degrees above normal across the eastern part of the State, and one to four degrees below normal in the west. There were 6.1 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 10 percent very short, 31 short, 56 adequate, and 3 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 13 percent very short, 29 short, 56 adequate, and 2 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Corn condition rated 5 percent very poor, 9 poor, 27 fair, 52 good, and 7 excellent. Corn mature was 97 percent, near 100 last year and 99 for the five-year average. Harvested was 37 percent, behind 50 last year, and well behind 58 average.

Soybeans harvested was 96 percent, near 97 last year and 94 average.

Winter wheat condition rated 16 percent very poor, 16 poor, 40 fair, 28 good, and 0 excellent. Winter wheat planted was 94 percent, near 95 last year. Emerged was 87 percent, near 90 last year.

Sunflower condition rated 6 percent very poor, 13 poor, 36 fair, 43 good, and 2 excellent. Sunflowers harvested was 57 percent, ahead of 51 both last year and average.

Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 24 percent very poor, 34 poor, 30 fair, 12 good, and 0 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 19 percent very short, 37 short, 43 adequate, and 1 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/2017/CropProg-10-30-2017.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/CurrentMap/StateDroughtMonitor.aspx?ND>

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