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NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

FARGO, N.D. August 6, 2018 - For the week ending August 5, 2018, there were 6.6 days suitable for fieldwork, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 5 percent very short, 32 short, 60 adequate, and 3 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 5 percent very short, 29 short, 63 adequate, and 3 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Soybean condition rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 22 fair, 61 good, and 12 excellent. Soybeans setting pods was 84 percent, well ahead of 58 last year, and ahead of 65 for the five-year average.

Spring wheat condition rated 0 percent very poor, 3 poor, 14 fair, 70 good, and 13 excellent. Spring wheat coloring was 91 percent, near 90 last year, and ahead of 77 average. Mature was 50 percent. Harvested was 8 percent, behind 14 last year, and equal to average.

Durum wheat condition rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 17 fair, 70 good, and 11 excellent. Durum wheat coloring was 89 percent, near 86 last year, and well ahead of 60 average. Mature was 25 percent.

Winter wheat condition rated 2 percent very poor, 4 poor, 27 fair, 57 good, and 10 excellent. Winter wheat mature was 89 percent, near 92 last year. Harvested was 40 percent, behind 53 last year.

Corn condition rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 13 fair, 63 good, and 22 excellent. Corn silking was 95 percent, ahead of 82 both last year and average. Dough was 32 percent, ahead of 18 last year, and well ahead of 11 average.

Canola condition rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 23 fair, 65 good, and 7 excellent. Canola coloring was 82 percent, ahead of 76 last year and 63 average.

Sugarbeet condition rated 0 percent very poor, 0 poor, 8 fair, 14 good, and 78 excellent.

Oats condition rated 2 percent very poor, 1 poor, 10 fair, 78 good, and 9 excellent. Oats coloring was 90 percent, near 93 last year, but ahead of 81 average. Mature was 53 percent, behind 72 last year. Harvested was 12 percent, behind 26 last year, and near 16 average.

Barley condition rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 14 fair, 78 good, and 6 excellent. Barley coloring was 95 percent, near 96 last year, but ahead of 85 average. Mature was 66 percent, behind 80 last year. Harvested was 15 percent, behind 23 last year, but near 13 average.
Dry edible peas condition rated 0 percent very poor, 3 poor, 17 fair, 70 good, and 10 excellent. Dry edible peas dropping leaves was 87 percent, near 91 last year. Harvested was 28 percent, behind 43 last year.

Sunflower condition rated 1 percent very poor, 2 poor, 17 fair, 74 good, and 6 excellent. Sunflowers blooming was 81 percent, ahead of 64 last year, and well ahead of 50 average.

Flaxseed condition rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 16 fair, 69 good, and 13 excellent. Flaxseed blooming was 99 percent. Coloring was 58 percent, behind 65 last year, but ahead of 47 average.

Potato condition rated 1 percent very poor, 0 poor, 15 fair, 71 good, and 13 excellent. Potatoes rows closed was 88 percent, near 86 last year, and ahead of 75 average. Vines dry was 1 percent, near 4 last year.

Dry edible bean condition rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 25 fair, 63 good, and 10 excellent. Dry edible beans blooming was 95 percent, near 94 last year, and ahead of 89 average. Setting pods was 79 percent, well ahead of 59 both last year and average.

Alfalfa condition rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 32 fair, 56 good, and 7 excellent. Alfalfa second cutting was 55 percent, behind 60 last year, but near 53 average.

**Pasture and Range Report:** Pasture and range conditions rated 3 percent very poor, 9 poor, 33 fair, 50 good, and 5 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 2 percent very short, 17 short, 78 adequate, and 3 surplus.

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