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NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

FARGO, N.D. April 27, 2020 - For the week ending April 26, 2020, there were 4.0 days suitable for fieldwork, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Reports indicated that, on average, producers intend to begin fieldwork on April 28th. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 0 percent very short, 7 short, 61 adequate, and 32 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 0 percent very short, 3 short, 65 adequate, and 32 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Spring wheat planted was 5 percent, near 4 last year, but behind 18 for the five-year average.

Durum wheat planted was 3 percent, equal to last year, and near 6 average.

Winter wheat condition rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 20 fair, 72 good, and 6 excellent. Winter wheat jointed was 9 percent, ahead of 1 last year, and near 5 average.

Canola planted was 2 percent.

Sugarbeets planted was 1 percent, near 5 last year, and well behind 36 average.

Oats planted was 4 percent, near 1 last year, but behind 15 average.

Barley planted was 2 percent, near 1 last year, but behind 13 average.

Dry edible peas planted was 1 percent.

Due to wet conditions impeding harvest last fall, some crops remained in the field for harvest over the winter and in the spring.

Corn harvested was 89 percent, up from 86 last week.

Pasture and Range Report: Cattle and calf conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 3 poor, 10 fair, 73 good, and 13 excellent. Cattle and calf death loss rated 2 percent heavy, 62 average, and 36 light. Calving progress was 66 percent complete, behind 72 last year.

Sheep and lamb conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 3 poor, 16 fair, 67 good, and 14 excellent. Sheep and lamb death loss rated 3 percent heavy, 64 average, and 33 light. Lambing progress was 84 percent complete, equal to last year. Shearing progress was 92 percent complete, near 91 last year.

Hay and roughage supplies rated 5 percent very short, 21 short, 66 adequate, and 8 surplus.

Stock water supplies rated 0 percent very short, 2 short, 85 adequate, and 13 surplus.

Data for this news release were provided at the county level by USDA Farm Service Agency, NDSU Extension Service, and other reporters across the State.

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