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## NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

**FARGO, N.D. May 4, 2020** - For the week ending May 3, 2020, there were 4.8 days suitable for fieldwork, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Reports indicated that, on average, producers began fieldwork on May 1st. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 1 percent very short, 8 short, 62 adequate, and 29 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 0 percent very short, 4 short, 67 adequate, and 29 surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** Soybeans planted was 1 percent, equal to last year, and near 5 for the five-year average.

Spring wheat planted was 15 percent, near 11 last year, but behind 33 average.

Durum wheat planted was 13 percent, ahead of 6 last year, but near 14 average.

Winter wheat condition rated 1 percent very poor, 3 poor, 21 fair, 68 good, and 7 excellent. Winter wheat jointed was 13 percent, ahead of 6 last year, and equal to average.

Corn planted was 4 percent, near 2 last year, but behind 19 average.

Canola planted was 5 percent, near 3 last year, but behind 13 average.

Sugarbeets planted was 23 percent, ahead of 14 last year, but well behind 56 average.

Oats planted was 12 percent, ahead of 5 last year, but behind 29 average.

Barley planted was 10 percent, near 6 last year, but behind 28 average.

Dry edible peas planted was 12 percent, near 9 last year, but behind 28 average.

Flaxseed planted was 2 percent, equal to last year, and behind 7 average.

Potatoes planted was 7 percent, ahead of 2 last year, but behind 12 average.

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 91 percent, up from 89 last week.

**Pasture and Range Report:** Pasture and range conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 5 poor, 22 fair, 65 good, and 7 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 0 percent very short, 3 short, 83 adequate, and 14 surplus.

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