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NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

FARGO, N.D. August 17, 2020 - For the week ending August 16, 2020, there were 5.3 days suitable for fieldwork, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 6% very short, 24% short, 61% adequate, and 9% surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 3% very short, 22% short, 67% adequate, and 8% surplus.

Field Crops Report: Soybean condition rated 1% very poor, 5% poor, 31% fair, 56% good, and 7% excellent. Soybeans blooming was 97%, near 95% last year and 98% for the five-year average. Setting pods was 83%, ahead of 73% last year, but near 86% average. Dropping leaves was 2%, near 1% last year and 6% average.

Spring wheat condition rated 2% very poor, 4% poor, 29% fair, 58% good, and 7% excellent. Spring wheat coloring was 95%, near 96% last year. Mature was 60%, behind 65% last year. Harvested was 19%, ahead of 10% last year, but well behind 39% average.

Durum wheat condition rated 1% very poor, 4% poor, 30% fair, 54% good, and 11% excellent. Durum wheat coloring was 93%, equal to last year. Mature was 56%, near 59% last year and 58% average. Harvested was 13%, ahead of 5% last year.

Winter wheat mature was 94%, near 93% last year. Harvested was 69%, ahead of 50% last year, but behind 75% average.

Corn condition rated 2% very poor, 7% poor, 24% fair, 58% good, and 9% excellent. Corn silking was 96%, near 93% last year, and equal to average. Dough was 38%, well ahead of 15% last year, but behind 49% average. Dented was 1%, behind 7% average.

Canola condition rated 1% very poor, 3% poor, 21% fair, 60% good, and 15% excellent. Canola coloring was 74%, behind 82% last year and 90% average. Harvested was 5%, near 4% last year, but behind 14% average.

Sugarbeet condition rated 1% very poor, 3% poor, 4% fair, 43% good, and 49% excellent. Sugarbeets harvested was 1%, equal to both last year and average.

Oats condition rated 3% very poor, 7% poor, 31% fair, 56% good, and 3% excellent. Oats coloring was 95%, ahead of 90% last year. Mature was 71%, ahead of 53% last year. Harvested was 26%, ahead of 15% last year, but well behind 51% average.
Barley condition rated 1% very poor, 5% poor, 32% fair, 57% good, and 5% excellent. Barley coloring was 96%, near 97% last year. Mature was 71%, near 73% last year. Harvested was 25%, ahead of 17% last year, but well behind 56% average.

Dry edible peas condition rated 1% very poor, 4% poor, 28% fair, 57% good, and 10% excellent. Dry edible peas dropping leaves was 90%, near 94% last year. Harvested was 42%, near 38% last year, but well behind 64% average.

Sunflower condition rated 1% very poor, 3% poor, 22% fair, 69% good, and 5% excellent. Sunflowers blooming was 91%, ahead of 77% last year. Ray flowers dry was 9%, near 7% last year and 13% average.

Flaxseed condition rated 1% very poor, 4% poor, 28% fair, 59% good, and 8% excellent. Flaxseed coloring was 82%, near 84% last year, and behind 89% average. Harvested was 5%.

Potato condition rated 3% very poor, 2% poor, 20% fair, 61% good, and 14% excellent. Potatoes rows closed was 91%, near 89% last year. Vines dry was 8%, ahead of 3% last year, but near 10% average.

Dry edible bean condition rated 3% very poor, 5% poor, 29% fair, 55% good, and 8% excellent. Dry edible beans blooming was 92%. Setting pods was 79%, behind 89% last year. Dropping leaves was 10%, behind 16% last year and 22% average.

Alfalfa condition rated 2% very poor, 15% poor, 40% fair, 39% good, and 4% excellent. Alfalfa second cutting was 84%, ahead of 66% last year and 78% average.

Lentils harvested was 17%, ahead of 3% last year.

**Pasture and Range Report:** Pasture and range conditions rated 3% very poor, 12% poor, 46% fair, 36% good, and 3% excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 2% very short, 29% short, 66% adequate, and 3% 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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