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## NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

**FARGO, N.D. September 28, 2020** - For the week ending September 27, 2020, there were 6.3 days suitable for fieldwork, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 21% very short, 34% short, 41% adequate, and 4% surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 16% very short, 32% short, 46% adequate, and 6% surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** Soybean condition rated 8% very poor, 9% poor, 34% fair, 42% good, and 7% excellent. Soybeans dropping leaves was 88%, ahead of 81% last year, but near 90% for the five-year average. Harvested was 27%, well ahead of 3% last year, and ahead of 19% average.

Durum wheat harvested was 95%, ahead of 77% last year.

Winter wheat planted was 75%, well ahead of 42% last year, and ahead of 60% average. Emerged was 22%, ahead of 11% last year, and near 19% average.

Corn condition rated 4% very poor, 8% poor, 29% fair, 49% good, and 10% excellent. Corn dented was 90%, well ahead of 70% last year, and equal to average. Mature was 58%, well ahead of 12% last year, and ahead of 48% average. Harvested was 4%, near 3% average.

Canola harvested was 92%, well ahead of 65% last year, and near 89% average.

Sugarbeet condition rated 1% very poor, 2% poor, 5% fair, 43% good, and 49% excellent. Sugarbeets harvested was 16%, near 17% last year, and equal to average.

Sunflower condition rated 5% very poor, 12% poor, 32% fair, 46% good, and 5% excellent. Sunflowers ray flowers dry was 95%, near 93% last year. Bracts turned yellow was 87%, ahead of 72% last year, and near 85% average. Bracts turned brown was 62%, well ahead of 31% last year, and ahead of 56% average. Harvested was 6%, near 2% average.

Flaxseed harvested was 93%, well ahead of 59% last year, and ahead of 86% average.

Potato condition rated 3% very poor, 2% poor, 27% fair, 58% good, and 10% excellent. Potatoes vines dry was 96%, ahead of 89% last year, and near 93% average. Harvested was 64%, well ahead of 36% last year, and ahead of 45% average.

Dry edible beans harvested was 74%, well ahead of 36% last year, and ahead of 67% average.

Lentils harvested was 83%, ahead of 72% last year.

**Pasture and Range Report:** Pasture and range conditions rated 14% very poor, 25% poor, 41% fair, 18% good, and 2% excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 9% very short, 31% short, 59% adequate, and 1% 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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