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## NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

**FARGO, N.D. October 5, 2020** - For the week ending October 4, 2020, there were 6.6 days suitable for fieldwork, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 25% very short, 35% short, 37% adequate, and 3% surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 19% very short, 34% short, 43% adequate, and 4% surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** Soybean condition rated 8% very poor, 11% poor, 33% fair, 41% good, and 7% excellent. Soybeans dropping leaves was 94%, near 90% last year and 96% for the five-year average. Harvested was 60%, well ahead of 7% last year and 38% average.

Winter wheat planted was 85%, well ahead of 56% last year, and ahead of 75% average. Emerged was 58%, well ahead of 29% last year, and ahead of 42% average.

Corn condition rated 3% very poor, 9% poor, 30% fair, 49% good, and 9% excellent. Corn dented was 95%, ahead of 81% last year, and near 94% average. Mature was 78%, well ahead of 20% last year, and ahead of 65% average. Harvested was 11%, ahead of 5% average.

Canola harvested was 96%, well ahead of 68% last year, and near 92% average.

Sugarbeet condition rated 1% very poor, 2% poor, 5% fair, 43% good, and 49% excellent. Sugarbeets harvested was 56%, well ahead of 19% last year and 35% average.

Sunflower condition rated 3% very poor, 12% poor, 31% fair, 49% good, and 5% excellent. Sunflowers bracts turned yellow was 94%, ahead of 84% last year, and near 93% average. Bracts turned brown was 80%, well ahead of 48% last year, and ahead of 73% average. Harvested was 16%, ahead of 5% average.

Flaxseed harvested was 96%, well ahead of 62% last year, and ahead of 89% average.

Potatoes harvested was 84%, well ahead of 44% last year and 62% average.

Dry edible beans harvested was 90%, well ahead of 40% last year, and ahead of 75% average.

Lentils harvested was 85%, ahead of 74% last year.

**Pasture and Range Report:** Pasture and range conditions rated 15% very poor, 27% poor, 38% fair, 19% good, and 1% excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 10% very short, 32% short, 57% 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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