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## NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

**FARGO, N.D. April 10, 2023** - For the week ending April 9, 2023, there were 0.6 days suitable for fieldwork, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Reports indicated that, on average, producers intend to begin fieldwork on May 4th. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 4% very short, 18% short, 57% adequate, and 21% surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 7% very short, 23% short, 59% adequate, and 11% surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** Winter wheat condition rated 0% very poor, 7% poor, 60% fair, 33% good, and 0% excellent. Winter wheat jointed was 4%, near 8% last year and 3% for the five-year average.

**Pasture and Range Report:** Cattle and calf conditions rated 1% very poor, 6% poor, 37% fair, 52% good, and 4% excellent. Cattle and calf death loss rated 6% heavy, 82% average, and 12% light. Calving progress was 48% complete, near 47% last year, and equal to average.

Sheep and lamb conditions rated 1% very poor, 6% poor, 35% fair, 52% good, and 6% excellent. Sheep and lamb death loss rated 3% heavy, 74% average, and 23% light. Lambing progress was 72% complete, near 71% last year and 68% average. Shearing progress was 81% complete, ahead of 76% last year.

Hay and roughage supplies rated 3% very short, 27% short, 67% adequate, and 3% surplus.

Stock water supplies rated 0% very short, 9% short, 80% adequate, and 11% 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.

Access the National Crop Progress and Condition publication at: https://usda.library.cornell.edu/concern/publications/8336h188j

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