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**NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION**

**FARGO, N.D. March 25, 2024** - For the week ending March 24, 2024, topsoil moisture supplies rated 17% very short, 32% short, 49% adequate, and 2% surplus, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 16% very short, 38% short, 45% adequate, and 1% surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** Winter wheat condition rated 2% very poor, 5% poor, 41% fair, 52% good, and 0% excellent.

**Livestock Report:** Cattle and calf conditions rated 0% very poor, 3% poor, 18% fair, 69% good, and 10% excellent. Cattle and calf death loss rated 1% heavy, 51% average, and 48% light. Calving progress was 31% complete.

Sheep and lamb conditions rated 0% very poor, 2% poor, 22% fair, 66% good, and 10% excellent. Sheep and lamb death loss rated 2% heavy, 53% average, and 45% light. Lambing progress was 50% complete. Shearing progress was 67% complete.

Hay and roughage supplies rated 2% very short, 10% short, 82% adequate, and 6% surplus.

Stock water supplies rated 6% very short, 19% short, 74% adequate, and 1% surplus.

Weekly reports will begin April 1st for the 2024 season.

*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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