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NORTH DAKOTA CROP PRODUCTION REPORT

FARGO, ND, August 12, 2014 -- Based on August 1 conditions, North Dakota's 2014 **spring wheat** crop is forecast at 273 million bushels, up 16 percent from last year, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Average yield is forecast at a record high 47 bushels per acre, up one-half bushel from 2013.

Durum wheat production is forecast at 32.3 million bushels, up 9 percent from last year. Average yield is forecast at 38 bushels per acre, down one-half bushel from last year.

Winter wheat production is forecast at 24.6 million bushels, 180 percent above last year's crop. Average yield is forecast at 44 bushels per acre, up one bushel from 2013.

Barley production is forecast at 37.2 million bushels, down 19 percent from last year. Average yield is forecast at 62 bushels per acre, down 2 bushels from 2013.

Oat production is forecast at 9.36 million bushels, up 12 percent from last year. Average yield is forecast at 72 bushels per acre, up 10 bushels from 2013.

Corn production is forecast at 362 million bushels, down 9 percent from 2013. Acreage harvested for grain is estimated at 2.85 million acres, down 21 percent from last year. Average yield is forecast at 127 bushels per acre, up 17 bushels from last year.

Soybean production is forecast at a record high 190 million bushels, up 37 percent from last year. Area for harvest, at a record high 5.95 million acres, is up 29 percent from last year. Average yield per acre is forecast at 32 bushels per acre, up 2 bushels from 2013.

Alfalfa hay production is forecast at 3.23 million tons, down slightly from last year. Expected yield, at 2.10 tons per acre, is up 0.1 ton from last year. **All other hay** production is forecast at 1.43 million tons, down 23 percent from last year. Expected yield, at 1.70 tons per acre, is down 0.2 ton from last year.

Dry edible bean production is forecast at 9.92 million cwt, up 40 percent from last year. The average yield is forecast at 1,600 pounds per acre, down 50 pounds from last year. Acres planted by class are as follows: Pinto, 410,000; Navy, 116,000; Black, 84,000; Pink, 10,000; Great Northern, 12,000; Large Garbanzo, 5,200; Small Garbanzo, 2,000; Dark Red Kidney, 1,900; Small Red, 2,500; All Other, 6,400.

Sugarbeet production is forecast at 4.85 million tons, down 15 percent from 2013. Area for harvest, at 211,000 acres, is down 6 percent from last year. Yield is estimated at 23 tons per acre, down 2.3 tons from last year.

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