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NORTH DAKOTA CROP PRODUCTION REPORT

Fargo, ND – Based on May 1 conditions, North Dakota's 2016 **winter wheat** crop is forecast at 6.50 million bushels, down 22 percent from last year's crop, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Average yield is forecast at 50.0 bushels per acre, up 6 bushels from last year.

Acreage to be harvested for grain is estimated at 130 thousand acres, down 32 percent from last year. This would be 68 percent of the planted acreage.

May 1 **hay stocks** at 1.45 million tons are down 5 percent compared to one year ago.

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