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NORTH DAKOTA CROP PRODUCTION REPORT

Fargo, ND -- Based on July 1 conditions, North Dakota's 2016 **spring wheat** crop is forecast at 279 million bushels, down 13 percent from last year, according to the USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service. Average yield is forecast at 45.0 bushels per acre, down 3 bushels from 2015. Area to be harvested for grain is estimated at 6.20 million acres, down 7 percent from a year ago.

Durum wheat production is forecast at 44.1 million bushels, up 4 percent from last year. Average yield is forecast at 35.0 bushels per acre, down 4.5 bushels from 2015. Area to be harvested for grain is expected to total 1.26 million acres, up 17 percent from a year ago.

Winter wheat production is forecast at 7.02 million bushels, down 4 percent from the June 1 forecast, and 16 percent below last year's crop. Average yield is forecast at 54.0 bushels per acre, 10 bushels more than 2015. Area to be harvested for grain is estimated at 130,000 acres, down 32 percent from a year ago.

Barley production is forecast at 43.4 million bushels, down 35 percent from last year. Average yield is forecast at 62.0 bushels per acre, 2 bushels less than 2015. Area to be harvested for grain is estimated at 700,000 acres, down 33 percent from a year ago.

Oat production is forecast at 8.64 million bushels, down 17 percent from last year. Average yield is forecast at 54.0 bushels per acre, down 20 bushels from 2015. Area to be harvested for grain is estimated at 160,000 acres, up 14 percent from a year ago.

Access the National publication for this release at:

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