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SOUTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

SIOUX FALLS, SD June 10, 2013 – For the week ending June 9, 2013, wet and cool conditions continued again this week limiting fieldwork, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, South Dakota Field Office. Statewide, there were 4.2 days suitable for fieldwork. The cool conditions also slowed crop growth and development. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 0 percent very short, 5 short, 79 adequate, and 16 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 2 percent very short, 20 short, 73 adequate, and 5 surplus. Hay and pasture supplies saw improvement with the recent precipitation, but could use some warm temperatures. Major farm activities included spraying for weeds and fertilizer applications.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat jointed was at 65 percent. Winter wheat headed showed little progress at 8 percent, behind 95 last year and 49 average. Condition rated 37 percent very poor, 19 poor, 32 fair, 12 good, and 0 excellent.

Spring wheat jointed was at 29 percent, behind 2012 at 91 and 39 average. Headed was at 13 percent, also behind last year at 50, but equal to 13 average. Condition rated 2 percent very poor, 4 poor, 35 fair, 48 good, and 11 excellent.

Oats were 41 percent jointed, behind 91 last year but ahead of 39 average. Headed was at 7 percent, behind last year at 44 and 12 average. Condition rated 0 percent very poor, 0 poor, 33 fair, 57 good, and 10 excellent.

Barley was 100 percent emerged, equal to 100 for 2012 and ahead of 94 average. Jointed was at 7 percent, well behind last year at 81 and 27 average. Headed was at 1 percent, also behind last year at 11 and 5 average. Condition rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 31 fair, 66 good, and 2 excellent.

Corn was 91 percent emerged, behind last year at 99 but ahead of 85 average. Condition rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 21 fair, 63 good, and 11 excellent.

Soybean planting advanced another 19 percentage points and is 82 percent complete, behind last year at 98 and near 85 average. Emerged was at 47 percent, behind last year at 86 and 53 average.

Sorghum planted was 77 percent complete, behind 2012 at 84 and ahead of 72 average. Emerged was at 17 percent, behind 2012 at 62 and 34 average.

Sunflowers planted were at 20 percent, behind last year at 67 and 46 average.

The first cutting of alfalfa was 5 percent complete, behind 2012 at 54 and 27 average. Alfalfa hay condition rated 1 percent very poor, 3 poor, 32 fair, 58 good, and 6 excellent.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Ninety percent of cattle were reported as moved to pasture compared to 84 percent the week before. Pasture and range conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 11 poor, 30 fair, 47 good, and 11 excellent. Hay and forage supplies rated 23 percent very short, 23 short, 52 adequate, and 2 surplus.

Data for this news release were provided at the county level by USDA Farm Service Agency, SDSU Extension Service and other reporters across the state.

Access the National publication for Crop Progress and Condition tables at:
http://usda01.library.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProg//2010s/2013/CropProg-06-10-2013.pdf

Access the High Plains Region Climate Center for Temperature and Precipitation Maps at:
http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/maps/current/index.php?action=update_region&state=SD&region=HPRCC

Access the U.S. Drought Monitor at:
http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/DM_state.htm?SD,HP

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