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SOUTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

SIoux FALLS, SD July 1, 2013 – For the week ending June 30, 2013, dry conditions and above normal temperatures across most areas of the state helped crop development this week, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Statewide, there were 5.7 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 2 percent very short, 11 short, 75 adequate, and 12 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 1 percent very short, 22 short, 68 adequate, and 9 surplus. Major farm activities included haying and spraying.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat jointed was at 99 percent. Headed was at 93 percent, behind 100 last year and 96 average. Turning color was at 3 percent, well behind 95 last year and 46 average. Condition rated 28 percent very poor, 27 poor, 30 fair, 14 good, and 1 excellent.

Spring wheat jointed was at 91 percent, behind 2012 at 100 but near 93 average. Headed was at 52 percent, well behind last year at 99 and 66 average. Condition rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 39 fair, 46 good, and 10 excellent.

Oats were 89 percent jointed, behind 100 last year but near 90 average. Headed was at 59 percent, behind last year at 97 and 65 average. Condition rated 3 percent very poor, 1 poor, 26 fair, 61 good, and 9 excellent.

Barley was at 97 percent jointed, slightly behind last year at 100 but ahead of 87 average. Headed was at 64 percent, also behind last year at 89 but ahead of 50 average. Condition rated 1 percent very poor, 1 poor, 32 fair, 66 good, and 0 excellent.

Corn condition rated 1 percent very poor, 2 poor, 27 fair, 57 good, and 13 excellent.

Soybean emerged was at 96 percent, behind last year at 100 but near 97 average. Condition rated 1 percent very poor, 3 poor, 29 fair, 54 good, and 13 excellent.

Sorghum emerged was at 87 percent, behind 2012 at 99 but near 89 average. Condition rated 0 percent very poor, 4 poor, 47 fair, 47 good, and 2 excellent.

Sunflowers planted were at 95 percent, behind last year at 99 but near 94 average. Condition rated 0 percent very poor, 13 poor, 28 fair, 56 good, and 3 excellent.

The first cutting of alfalfa was 73 percent complete, behind 2012 at 93 but near 76 average. Alfalfa hay condition rated 0 percent very poor, 3 poor, 30 fair, 59 good, and 8 excellent.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 6 poor, 24 fair, 55 good, and 14 excellent. Hay and forage supplies rated 10 percent very short, 13 short, 75 adequate, and 2 surplus. Stock water supplies rated 3 percent very short, 17 short, 75 adequate, and 5 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-07-01-2013.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®ion=HPRCC

Access the U.S. Drought Monitor at:

http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/DM_state.htm?SD,HP