SOUTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

SIOUX FALLS, SD November 4, 2013 – For the week ending November 3, 2013, below normal temperatures and wet field conditions continued to slow row crop harvest progress in some areas, according to the USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service. Producers were busy moving hay and grain, harvesting, moving livestock, and preparing for winter. Statewide, there were 4.1 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 0 percent very short, 6 short, 84 adequate and 10 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 1 percent very short, 14 short, 80 adequate and 5 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat emerged was 85 percent, well ahead of 32 last year and 79 average. Condition rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 28 fair, 62 good, and 9 excellent.

Corn harvest was 63 percent complete, well behind 100 last year but near 65 average. Condition rated 2 percent very poor, 8 poor, 25 fair, 46 good, and 19 excellent.

Soybean harvest was 92 percent complete, behind 100 last year but near 90 average.

Sorghum harvested was 71 percent complete, well behind 100 last year and 76 average.

Sunflower harvest was 31 percent complete, well behind 95 last year and 63 average. Condition rated 23 percent very poor, 12 poor, 22 fair, 39 good and 4 excellent.

The fourth cutting of alfalfa hay was 74 percent complete.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions were unchanged with 2 percent rated very poor, 7 poor, 37 fair, 48 good, and 6 excellent. Stock water supplies were 1 percent very short, 12 short, 82 adequate and 5 surplus. Cattle and calf conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 17 fair, 77 good and 4 excellent. Sheep and lamb conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 19 fair, 77 good and 3 excellent.

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:

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

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

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