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SOUTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

SIOUX FALLS, SD, July 7, 2014 – For the week ending July 6, 2014, limited precipitation and warm temperatures dominated the weather pattern, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Statewide, there were 5.8 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 0 percent very short, 6 short, 83 adequate, and 11 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 0 percent very short, 5 short, 88 adequate, and 7 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat condition rated 0 percent very poor, 4 poor, 24 fair, 64 good, and 8 excellent. Coloring was 66 percent, well ahead of 22 last year and ahead of the five-year average of 63. Winter wheat mature was 2 percent, ahead of 0 last year but well behind 18 average.

Spring wheat condition rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 18 fair, 67 good, and 14 excellent. Spring wheat jointed was 96 percent. Headed was 81 percent, equal to last year and near 83 average.

Oat conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 0 poor, 15 fair, 76 good, and 9 excellent. Oats jointed was 100 percent. Oats headed was 85 percent, ahead of 81 last year and 80 average. Coloring was 13 percent, ahead of 7 last year, but behind average at 29. Mature was 1 percent, near last year at 0, but behind 6 average.

Barley condition rated 0 percent very poor, 0 poor, 22 fair, 65 good, and 13 excellent. Barley jointed was 94 percent. Headed was 61 percent, well behind 85 last year and the average of 69. Coloring was 3 percent near 0 last year, but well behind 17 average.

Corn condition rated 1 percent very poor, 2 poor, 17 fair, 67 good, and 13 excellent. Corn silking was 5 percent, ahead of 0 last year and near 4 average.

Soybeans condition rated 1 percent very poor, 3 poor, 20 fair, 67 good, and 9 excellent. Soybeans blooming was 39 percent, well ahead of 7 last year and 19 average. Setting pods was 4 percent, ahead of both last year and average of 0.

Sorghum condition rated 0 percent very poor, 0 poor, 8 fair, 84 good, and 8 excellent. Sorghum emerged was 88 percent, behind 96 last year and 97 average. Sorghum was 5 percent headed, ahead of 0 last year and 1 average.

Sunflowers planted were 97 percent, near both 98 last year and average at 99. Sunflowers emerged was 69 percent.

Alfalfa hay conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 21 fair, 57 good, and 20 excellent. Alfalfa hay first cutting was 78 percent complete, behind both last year and average of 88. Second cutting was 14 percent complete.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 15 fair, 61 good, and 23 excellent.

Stock water supplies were 0 percent very short, 5 percent short, 85 percent adequate, and 10 percent 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://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProg//2010s/2014/CropProg-07-07-2014.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/Home/StateDroughtMonitor.aspx?SD>

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