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SOUTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

SIoux FALLS, SD, July 14, 2014 – For the week ending July 13, 2014, below normal temperatures and scattered rain showers dominated the weather pattern, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Statewide, there were 6.0 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 0 percent very short, 11 short, 85 adequate, and 4 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 0 percent very short, 9 short, 85 adequate, and 6 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat condition rated 0 percent very poor, 4 poor, 22 fair, 65 good, and 9 excellent. Coloring was 86 percent, ahead of 74 last year but near the five-year average of 87. Winter wheat mature was 10 percent, ahead of 3 last year but well behind 36 average.

Spring wheat condition rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 18 fair, 66 good, and 15 excellent. Spring wheat headed was 88 percent, behind 95 last year and 93 average. Coloring was 19 percent, near 18 last year but behind 42 average.

Oat conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 0 poor, 14 fair, 76 good, and 10 excellent. Oats headed was 97 percent, ahead of 91 last year and 92 average. Coloring was 48 percent, well ahead of 23 last year, but equal to average. Mature was 2 percent, near last year at 0, but behind 14 average. Oat harvested was 1 percent, near last year at 0, but behind 8 average.

Barley condition rated 0 percent very poor, 0 poor, 20 fair, 67 good, and 13 excellent. Barley jointed was 97 percent. Headed was 72 percent, well behind 91 last year and the average of 85. Coloring was 4 percent, well behind 36 last year and 40 average.

Corn condition rated 1 percent very poor, 2 poor, 15 fair, 67 good, and 15 excellent. Corn silking was 9 percent, ahead of 5 last year but equal to average.

Soybeans condition rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 21 fair, 65 good, and 9 excellent. Soybeans blooming was 56 percent, well ahead of 32 last year and 39 average. Setting pods was 8 percent, ahead of 0 last year and 3 average.

Sorghum condition rated 0 percent very poor, 0 poor, 8 fair, 84 good, and 8 excellent. Sorghum emerged was 93 percent, behind 97 last year and 99 average. Sorghum was 28 percent headed, well ahead of 3 last year and 5 average.

Sunflowers emerged was 85 percent. Sunflowers blooming was 4 percent, near 1 last year and average at 2.

Alfalfa hay conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 3 poor, 16 fair, 57 good, and 24 excellent. Alfalfa hay first cutting was 85 percent complete, behind both last year and average of 93. Second cutting was 28 percent complete, ahead of 15 last year, but behind 33 average.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 13 fair, 62 good, and 23 excellent.

Stock water supplies were 1 percent very short, 6 percent short, 85 percent adequate, and 8 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-07-14-2014.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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