



News Release

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SOUTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

SIoux FALLS, SD, November 23, 2015 – For the week ending November 22, 2015, near normal temperatures and significant moisture brought fall fieldwork to a halt, according to the USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service. The week started off with rain and sleet, and ended with a snowstorm that brought significant accumulations to the south and east. Producers were busy tending to livestock and conducting winter repairs on machinery. There were 5.1 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 8 percent very short, 26 short, 65 adequate, and 1 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 7 percent very short, 29 short, 63 adequate, and 1 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat condition rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 30 fair, 55 good, 14 excellent.

Sorghum harvested was at 95 percent, near 98 last year and the five-year average.

Sunflowers harvested was at 96 percent, ahead of 85 last year, but near 92 average.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions were rated 2 percent very poor, 8 poor, 41 fair, 45 good, and 4 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 7 percent very short, 22 short, 69 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 Crop Progress and Condition Report at:

<http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProg/2010s/2015/CropProg-11-23-2015.pdf>

Access the High Plains Region Climate Center for Temperature and Precipitation Maps at:

<http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/maps.php?map=ACISClimateMaps>

Access the U.S. Drought Monitor at:

<http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/Home/StateDroughtMonitor.aspx?SD>

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