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## SOUTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

**Sioux Falls, SD** – For the week ending May 8, 2016, fieldwork resumed for most parts of the State with warmer, drier weather, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Planting progressed well for most locations under sunny skies and above-average temperatures. However, planting progress was slowed in some south central and southeast locations that remained too wet for fieldwork. There were 5.0 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 0 percent very short, 6 short, 81 adequate, and 13 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 1 percent very short, 9 short, 82 adequate, and 8 surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** Winter wheat condition rated 1 percent very poor, 1 poor, 25 fair, 67 good, and 6 excellent. Winter wheat jointed was at 49 percent, ahead of 28 last year. Headed was at 1 percent, near 0 last year and 1 for the five-year average.

Corn planted was at 39 percent, well behind 69 last year, but near 42 average. Emerged was at 4 percent, behind 16 last year, but near 8 average.

Spring wheat condition rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 28 fair, 69 good, and 2 excellent. Spring wheat planted was at 92 percent, near 95 last year, but ahead of 76 average. Emerged was at 75 percent, ahead of 67 last year, and well ahead of 41 average.

Soybeans planted was at 10 percent, behind 24 last year, but equal to the average.

Oats condition rated 0 percent very poor, 0 poor, 17 fair, 79 good, and 4 excellent. Oats planted was at 92 percent, near 95 last year, but ahead of 78 average. Emerged was at 78 percent, ahead of 68 last year, and well ahead of 45 average. Jointed was at 2 percent.

Barley planted was at 84 percent, behind 96 last year, but well ahead of 63 average. Emerged was at 39 percent, behind 55 last year, but ahead of 30 average.

**Livestock, Pasture and Range Report:** Pasture and range conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 22 fair, 66 good, and 11 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 1 percent very short, 9 short, 81 adequate, and 9 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/2016/CropProg-05-09-2016.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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