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## SOUTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

**Sioux Falls, SD** – For the week ending June 5, 2016, warmer temperatures dominated the weather pattern, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. The northern and eastern parts of the State saw up to an inch of rain, with reports of hail in some locations. Insects continued to be an issue for alfalfa, in addition to the unfavorable moisture conditions. Corn planting was wrapping up as producers focused on soybeans. There were 4.4 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 2 percent very short, 10 short, 78 adequate, and 10 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 2 percent very short, 9 short, 82 adequate, and 7 surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** Winter wheat condition rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 20 fair, 69 good, and 6 excellent. Winter wheat jointed was 98 percent, ahead of 87 last year. Headed was 76 percent, ahead of 59 last year, and well ahead of 35 for the five-year average.

Corn condition rated 1 percent very poor, 3 poor, 22 fair, 68 good, and 6 excellent. Corn planted was 96 percent, near 97 last year and average. Emerged was 85 percent, near 84 last year, but equal to the average.

Spring wheat condition rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 22 fair, 68 good, and 8 excellent. Spring wheat jointed was 59 percent, well ahead of 39 last year.

Soybeans condition rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 21 fair, 67 good, and 10 excellent. Soybeans planted was 83 percent, near 85 last year and 79 average. Emerged was 61 percent, equal to last year, and ahead of 50 average.

Oats condition rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 25 fair, 67 good, and 7 excellent. Oats jointed was 67 percent. Headed was 21 percent, near 17 last year, and ahead of 14 average.

Barley condition rated 0 percent very poor, 0 poor, 32 fair, 56 good, and 12 excellent. Barley emerged was 91 percent, behind 98 last year, but near 88 average. Jointed was 34 percent, ahead of 27 last year.

Sorghum planted was 80 percent, well ahead of 38 last year and 51 average. Emerged was 34 percent, well ahead of 8 last year, and ahead of 16 average.

Sunflowers planted was 50 percent, well ahead of 23 last year, and ahead of 33 average.

Alfalfa hay condition rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 48 fair, 45 good, and 2 excellent. Alfalfa hay first cutting was 30 percent complete, well ahead of 8 last year.

**Livestock, Pasture and Range Report:** Pasture and range conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 3 poor, 18 fair, 70 good, and 9 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 1 percent very short, 9 short, 82 adequate, and 8 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-06-06-2016.pdf>

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

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

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