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SOUTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. June 12, 2017 – For the week ending June 11, 2017, portions of South Dakota received much needed precipitation late in the week, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. A line of severe thunderstorms affected parts of central and east central South Dakota early Sunday. Rainfall amounts varied from one-half to two inches. Strong winds and hail were also reported. Temperatures were well-above average for the reporting period. Highs in excess of 90 degrees and strong winds continued to exacerbate drought conditions in many areas of the State. There were 6.6 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 32 percent very short, 31 short, 36 adequate, and 1 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 23 percent very short, 35 short, 41 adequate, and 1 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat condition rated 18 percent very poor, 28 poor, 33 fair, 21 good, and 0 excellent. Winter wheat headed was 94 percent, ahead of 88 last year, and well ahead of 63 for the five-year average.

Spring wheat condition rated 21 percent very poor, 36 poor, 30 fair, 12 good, and 1 excellent. Spring wheat jointing was 72 percent, behind 80 last year. Headed was 37 percent, ahead of 24 both last year and average.

Oats condition rated 11 percent very poor, 23 poor, 33 fair, 30 good, and 3 excellent. Oats jointed was 80 percent, near 82 last year. Headed was 41 percent, near 43 last year, but ahead of 33 average. Coloring was 5 percent.

Barley condition rated 20 percent very poor, 36 poor, 39 fair, 5 good, and 0 excellent. Barley jointed was 68 percent, near 66 last year. Headed was 25 percent.

Corn condition rated 3 percent very poor, 15 poor, 37 fair, 42 good, and 3 excellent. Corn emerged was 98 percent, ahead of 93 last year, and near 94 average.

Soybean condition rated 2 percent very poor, 13 poor, 42 fair, 40 good, and 3 excellent. Soybeans planted was 99 percent, ahead of 92 last year and 93 average. Emerged was 89 percent, ahead of 77 last year and 76 average.

Sorghum condition rated 9 percent very poor, 24 poor, 53 fair, 14 good, and 0 excellent. Sorghum planted was 87 percent, near 90 last year, but ahead of 76 average. Emerged was 48 percent, near 50 last year, but ahead of 39 average.

Sunflowers planted was 72 percent, ahead of 65 last year and 53 average. Emerged was 37 percent.

Alfalfa hay condition rated 35 percent very poor, 36 poor, 19 fair, 9 good, and 1 excellent. Alfalfa first cutting was 53 percent, ahead of 48 last year.

Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range condition rated 21 percent very poor, 24 poor, 29 fair, 24 good, and 2 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 9 percent very short, 26 short, 63 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/2017/CropProg-06-12-2017.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:

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