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## SOUTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

**SIOUX FALLS, S.D. July 9, 2018** - For the week ending July 8, 2018, there were 5.2 days suitable for fieldwork, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 3 percent very short, 15 short, 74 adequate, and 8 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 4 percent very short, 19 short, 71 adequate, and 6 surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** Corn condition rated 2 percent very poor, 4 poor, 20 fair, 56 good, and 18 excellent. Corn silking was 10 percent, ahead of 2 last year and 5 for the five-year average.

Soybean condition rated 2 percent very poor, 6 poor, 24 fair, 56 good, and 12 excellent. Soybeans blooming was 30 percent, near 27 last year and 31 average. Setting pods was 1 percent, equal to last year, and near 2 average.

Winter wheat condition rated 4 percent very poor, 9 poor, 40 fair, 45 good, and 2 excellent. Winter wheat harvested was 2 percent, behind 13 last year and 7 average.

Spring wheat condition rated 3 percent very poor, 11 poor, 35 fair, 47 good, and 4 excellent. Spring wheat headed was 90 percent, behind 97 last year, and near 91 average.

Oats condition rated 1 percent very poor, 3 poor, 24 fair, 65 good, and 7 excellent. Oats headed was 95 percent, near 97 last year and 93 average.

Sorghum condition rated 1 percent very poor, 1 poor, 18 fair, 79 good, and 1 excellent. Sorghum headed was 5 percent, near 3 last year and 8 average.

Sunflowers planted was 96 percent, near 100 last year and 99 average.

**Pasture and Range Report:** Pasture and range conditions rated 2 percent very poor, 8 poor, 31 fair, 53 good, and 6 excellent.

*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.*

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