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## SOUTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

**SIOUX FALLS, S.D. October 4, 2021** - For the week ending October 3, 2021, there were 4.9 days suitable for fieldwork, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 23% very short, 39% short, 37% adequate, and 1% surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 34% very short, 37% short, 29% adequate, and 0% surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** Corn condition rated 13% very poor, 28% poor, 35% fair, 23% good, and 1% excellent. Corn mature was 87%, near 89% last year, but ahead of 69% for the five-year average. Harvested was 18%, near 19% last year, but ahead of 10% average.

Soybean condition rated 9% very poor, 29% poor, 38% fair, 23% good, and 1% excellent. Soybeans dropping leaves was 96%, near 95% last year, and ahead of 89% average. Harvested was 40%, behind 56% last year, but ahead of 28% average.

Winter wheat planted was 77%, ahead of 68% last year and 67% average. Emerged was 27%, behind 35% last year and 32% average.

Sorghum condition rated 11% very poor, 32% poor, 35% fair, 22% good, and 0% excellent. Sorghum mature was 86%, near 89% last year, but well ahead of 57% average. Harvested was 36%, ahead of 31% last year, and well ahead of 15% average.

Sunflowers harvested was 8%, near 5% last year, and ahead of 3% average.

**Pasture and Range Report:** Pasture and range conditions rated 40% very poor, 38% poor, 17% fair, 5% good, and 0% 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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