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## SOUTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

**SIOUX FALLS, S.D. August 14, 2023** - For the week ending August 13, 2023, there were 4.9 days suitable for fieldwork, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 4% very short, 23% short, 62% adequate, and 11% surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 6% very short, 31% short, 56% adequate, and 7% surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** Corn condition rated 3% very poor, 9% poor, 28% fair, 43% good, and 17% excellent. Corn silking was 96%, near 92% last year and 94% for the five-year average. Dough was 60%, ahead of 52% last year, and near 56% average. Dented was 6%, near 5% last year and 7% average.

Soybean condition rated 3% very poor, 7% poor, 28% fair, 47% good, and 15% excellent. Soybeans blooming was 95%, near 94% last year and 93% average. Setting pods was 69%, near 72% last year and 73% average.

Winter wheat harvested was 93%, near 94% last year and 91% average.

Spring wheat condition rated 11% very poor, 19% poor, 38% fair, 30% good, and 2% excellent. Spring wheat harvested was 54%, behind 69% last year and 64% average.

Oats harvested was 79%, near 80% last year, and equal to average.

Sorghum condition rated 4% very poor, 6% poor, 23% fair, 62% good, and 5% excellent. Sorghum headed was 95%, well ahead of 71% last year and 74% average. Coloring was 35%, well ahead of 6% last year and 9% average.

Sunflower condition rated 2% very poor, 5% poor, 41% fair, 43% good, and 9% excellent. Sunflowers blooming was 70%.

**Pasture and Range Report:** Pasture and range conditions rated 7% very poor, 9% poor, 24% fair, 45% good, and 15% 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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