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SOUTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. August 21, 2023 - For the week ending August 20, 2023, there were 6.4 days suitable for fieldwork, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 5% very short, 25% short, 59% adequate, and 11% surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 9% very short, 33% short, 49% adequate, and 9% surplus.

Field Crops Report: Corn condition rated 3% very poor, 8% poor, 33% fair, 42% good, and 14% excellent. Corn dough was 77%, ahead of 69% last year and 72% for the five-year average. Dented was 22%, ahead of 15% last year, and near 21% average.

Soybean condition rated 3% very poor, 7% poor, 31% fair, 44% good, and 15% excellent. Soybeans setting pods was 85%, near 84% both last year and average. Dropping leaves was 1%, equal to last year, and behind 6% average.

Winter wheat harvested was 97%, equal to last year, and near 95% average.

Spring wheat harvested was 75%, behind 82% last year, and near 77% average.

Oats harvested was 87%, equal to last year, and near 88% average.

Sorghum condition rated 4% very poor, 8% poor, 25% fair, 56% good, and 7% excellent. Sorghum coloring was 57%, well ahead of 13% last year and 22% average.

Sunflower condition rated 2% very poor, 5% poor, 46% fair, 38% good, and 9% excellent. Sunflowers blooming was 84%. Ray flowers dry was 1%.

Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 8% very poor, 12% poor, 32% fair, 40% good, and 8% 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.

Access the National Crop Progress and Condition publication at:
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