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SOUTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. October 16, 2023 - For the week ending October 15, 2023, there were 4.3 days suitable for fieldwork, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 3% very short, 16% short, 73% adequate, and 8% surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 7% very short, 28% short, 62% adequate, and 3% surplus.

Field Crops Report: Corn condition rated 5% very poor, 10% poor, 34% fair, 40% good, and 11% excellent. Corn mature was 97%, near 96% last year, and ahead of 88% for the five-year average. Harvested was 37%, behind 42% last year, but near 33% average.

Soybeans harvested was 72%, behind 78% last year, but ahead of 59% average.

Winter wheat condition rated 7% very poor, 6% poor, 30% fair, 49% good, and 8% excellent. Winter wheat planted was 90%, near 89% last year, and equal to average. Emerged was 57%, ahead of 52% last year, but near 59% average.

Sorghum condition rated 3% very poor, 7% poor, 28% fair, 51% good, and 11% excellent. Sorghum harvested was 50%, behind 58% last year, but near 46% average.

Sunflower condition rated 1% very poor, 3% poor, 46% fair, 47% good, and 3% excellent. Sunflowers bracts turned brown was 81%. Harvested was 10%, behind 16% both last year and average.

Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 3% very poor, 5% poor, 30% fair, 47% 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.

Access the National Crop Progress and Condition publication at: https://usda.library.cornell.edu/concern/publications/8336h188j

Access Crop Progress and Condition graphical products at: https://www.nass.usda.gov/Charts and Maps/Crop Progress & Condition/2023/index.php

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