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## NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

FARGO, ND September 30, 2013 – For the week ending September 29, 2013, almost all areas across the state received at least one-half inch of rainfall last week, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. This moisture occurred primarily the latter part of the week and continued to delay the harvest of remaining small grains. Temperatures remained warm with the eastern half 6 to 10 degrees above normal and the western half normal to 4 degrees above. Frost has been very limited so far this fall. This has allowed the late planted row crops to reach full maturity in most areas. Statewide, there were 4.7 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies were rated 4 percent very short, 14 short, 74 adequate, and 8 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 5 percent very short, 18 short, 72 adequate, and 5 surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** Winter wheat seeding was estimated at 72 percent complete. Emerged was 30 percent.

Spring wheat harvested was 95 percent, behind last year's 100 and 97 average.

Durum wheat harvested was 83 percent, well behind last year's 100 and 92 average.

Canola harvested was 85 percent, well behind last year's 100 and 94 average.

Flaxseed harvest was 65 percent complete, well behind last year's 100 and 80 average.

Lentils harvested were 93 percent, behind 100 last year and 99 average.

Sugarbeets lifted were 12 percent, behind 20 last year and 16 average. Sugarbeet condition rated 0 percent very poor, 5 poor, 32 fair, 54 good, and 9 excellent.

Corn reaching the dent stage was 96 percent, behind 100 last year but ahead of 93 average. Mature was 51 percent, well behind 97 last year and 56 average. Harvest was 1 percent complete, also well behind last year's 34 and 7 average. Condition rated 3 percent very poor, 14 poor, 39 fair, 36 good, and 8 excellent.

Soybeans dropping leaves were 94 percent, behind 100 last year, but ahead of 91 average. Harvest was 13 percent complete, well behind last year's 77 and 27 average. Condition rated 4 percent very poor, 14 poor, 44 fair, 34 good, and 4 excellent.

Potatoes with vines killed were 87 percent, well behind 100 last year and 92 average. Dug was 36 percent, well behind 70 last year and 54 average. Condition rated 4 percent very poor, 12 poor, 41 fair, 38 good, and 5 excellent.

Dry edible beans dropping leaves were 97 percent, behind 100 last year but near 95 average. Harvest was 53 percent complete, well behind last year's 94 but near 54 average. Condition rated 2 percent very poor, 9 poor, 38 fair, 44 good, and 7 excellent.

Sunflowers with ray flowers dry were 95 percent, behind 100 last year and 99 average. Bracts yellow were 70 percent, well behind 100 last year and 92 average. Bracts brown were 28 percent, also well behind 90 last year and 58 average. Harvested were 1 percent, well behind 14 last year but near 3 average. Condition rated 1 percent very poor, 5 poor, 21 fair, 55 good, and 18 excellent.

**Livestock, Pasture and Range Report:** Pasture and range conditions had little change with 2 percent rated very poor, 9 poor, 23 fair, 55 good, and 11 excellent. Stock water supplies were rated 1 percent very short, 6 short, 89 adequate, and 4 surplus.

*Data for this news release were provided at the county level by USDA Farm Service Agency and NDSU Extension Service.*

*Access the National publication for Crop Progress and Condition tables at:*

<http://usda01.library.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProg//2010s/2013/CropProg-09-30-2013.pdf>

*Access the High Plains Region Climate Center for Temperature and Precipitation Maps at:*

[http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/maps/current/index.php?action=update\\_region&state=ND&region=HPRCC](http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/maps/current/index.php?action=update_region&state=ND&region=HPRCC)

*Access the U.S. Drought Monitor at:*

[http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/DM\\_state.htm?ND,HP](http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/DM_state.htm?ND,HP)