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## NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

FARGO, ND September 9, 2013 – For the week ending September 8, 2013, much needed rainfall was received over most of the state last week, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. The areas receiving the most significant amounts of precipitation were the western and south central parts of the state. Pasture conditions have improved because of the recent moisture. However, more is needed to fully replenish stock ponds and to enhance row crop development. Temperatures remained hot across the state last week. Statewide, there were 5.9 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies were rated 14 percent very short, 27 short, 53 adequate, and 6 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 11 percent very short, 32 short, 54 adequate, and 3 surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** Winter wheat seeding was estimated at 13 percent complete.

Spring wheat ripe was 97 percent. Harvested was 73 percent, behind last year's 100 and 78 average.

Durum wheat ripe was 94 percent. Harvested was 49 percent, well behind last year's 95 and 61 average. Condition rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 17 fair, 51 good, and 30 excellent.

Oats harvested were 89 percent, behind last year's 100 but near 88 average.

Barley harvested was 79 percent, well behind last year's 100 and 91 average.

Canola turning color was 97 percent, behind 100 last year and average. Harvested was 55 percent, well behind last year's 97 and 61 average. Condition rated 1 percent very poor, 2 poor, 13 fair, 61 good, and 23 excellent.

Flaxseed turning color was 89 percent, behind 100 last year and 97 average. Harvested were 22 percent, well behind last year's 77 and 39 average. Condition rated 2 percent very poor, 5 poor, 27 fair, 57 good, and 9 excellent.

Lentils harvested were 68 percent, well behind 100 last year and 87 average.

Sugarbeets lifted were 4 percent, behind 11 last year and 5 average. Sugarbeet condition rated 1 percent very poor, 10 poor, 32 fair, 48 good, and 9 excellent.

Corn reaching the dough stage was 90 percent, behind 100 last year but near 88 average. Dented was 53 percent, well behind 89 last year but near 55 average. Mature was 3 percent, also well behind 44 last year and 14 average. Condition rated 4 percent very poor, 16 poor, 40 fair, 34 good, and 6 excellent.

Soybeans dropping leaves were 34 percent, well behind 70 last year, but ahead of 24 average. Condition rated 5 percent very poor, 16 poor, 42 fair, 34 good, and 3 excellent.

Potatoes at the vines killed stage were 26 percent, well behind 65 last year and 48 average. Condition rated 5 percent very poor, 14 poor, 39 fair, 36 good, and 6 excellent.

Dry edible peas harvested were 93 percent, behind last year's 100 and 96 average.

Dry edible beans dropping leaves were 62 percent, well behind 92 last year but ahead of 58 average. Harvested were 10 percent, well behind last year's 39 but near 12 average. Condition rated 3 percent very poor, 9 poor, 46 fair, 38 good, and 4 excellent.

Sunflower ray flowers dry were 47 percent, well behind 90 last year and 73 average. Bracts yellow were 11 percent, also well behind 65 last year and 37 average. Condition rated 1 percent very poor, 3 poor, 24 fair, 59 good, and 13 excellent.

**Livestock, Pasture and Range Report:** Pasture and range conditions had little change with 3 percent rated very poor, 11 poor, 28 fair, 43 good, and 15 excellent. Stock water supplies were rated 2 percent very short, 11 short, 82 adequate, and 5 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-09-09-2013.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)