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## NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

FARGO, ND July 7, 2014 – For the week ending July 6, 2014, warmer temperatures occurred, but were still a few degrees below normal, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Rain was limited to an inch or less in most areas. Producers were busy cutting hay, but high water levels in some areas made it difficult to access fields. Spraying for weeds was wrapping up and fungicide applications were beginning for small grain crops. Statewide, there were 5.0 days considered suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 0 percent very short, 2 short, 68 adequate, and 30 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 0 percent very short, 2 short, 72 adequate, and 26 surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** Winter wheat headed advanced to 88 percent. Turning color was 9 percent. Winter wheat condition rated 3 percent very poor, 11 poor, 33 fair, 47 good, and 6 excellent.

Durum wheat jointed was 59 percent, near 58 last year, but behind 70 for the five-year average. Headed rated 9 percent, behind 14 last year and 26 average. Condition rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 12 fair, 82 good, and 5 excellent.

Spring wheat jointed was 84 percent, well ahead of last year at 64, but near 83 average. Headed rated 35 percent, ahead of last year at 29, but behind 40 average. Condition rated 1 percent very poor, 2 poor, 14 fair, 66 good, and 17 excellent.

Barley jointing advanced to 87 percent, well ahead of 61 last year, but near 83 average. Headed rated 34 percent, ahead of 22 last year, but behind 38 average. Barley condition rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 18 fair, 68 good, and 12 excellent.

Oats jointing rated 82 percent, ahead of 73 last year, but near 85 average. Headed was at 30 percent, behind 34 last year and 41 average. Oats condition rated 1 percent very poor, 1 poor, 11 fair, 79 good, and 8 excellent.

Canola blooming was 63 percent, well ahead of 33 last year and 48 average. Condition rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 16 fair, 65 good, and 18 excellent.

Flaxseed blooming was 12 percent, ahead of 9 last year, but behind 23 average. Condition rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 19 fair, 70 good, and 10 excellent.

Dry edible peas blooming was 43 percent, ahead of 33 last year, but behind 59 average. Dry peas condition rated 0 percent very poor, 3 poor, 19 fair, 69 good, and 9 excellent.

Dry beans were 97 percent emerged, ahead of 87 last year, but equal to average. Blooming was 8 percent, ahead of last year at 0, but near 10 average. Condition rated 2 percent very poor, 5 poor, 22 fair, 58 good, and 13 excellent.

Potatoes emerged were 93 percent, well ahead of 75 last year, but near 94 average. Blooming was 18 percent, well ahead of last year at 0, but behind 26 average. Condition rating improved to 7 percent very poor, 7 poor, 25 fair, 51 good, and 10 excellent.

Corn silking was 4 percent, ahead of 0 last year and 3 average. Corn condition rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 18 fair, 59 good, and 21 excellent.

Soybeans blooming were 12 percent, ahead of 0 last year, but behind 16 average. Condition rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 18 fair, 63 good, and 17 excellent.

Sunflower condition rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 14 fair, 73 good, and 11 excellent.

Sugarbeet condition rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 33 fair, 55 good, and 7 excellent.

First cutting of alfalfa was 29 percent complete, well behind last year at 59 and 61 average. Alfalfa condition rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 9 fair, 70 good, and 20 excellent.

**Livestock, Pasture and Range Report:** Pasture and range conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 2 poor, 11 fair, 59 good, and 27 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 0 percent very short, 1 short, 73 adequate, and 26 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://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProg/2010s/2014/CropProg-07-07-2014.pdf>

Access the High Plains Region Climate Center for Temperature and Precipitation Maps at:  
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Access the U.S. Drought Monitor at:  
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